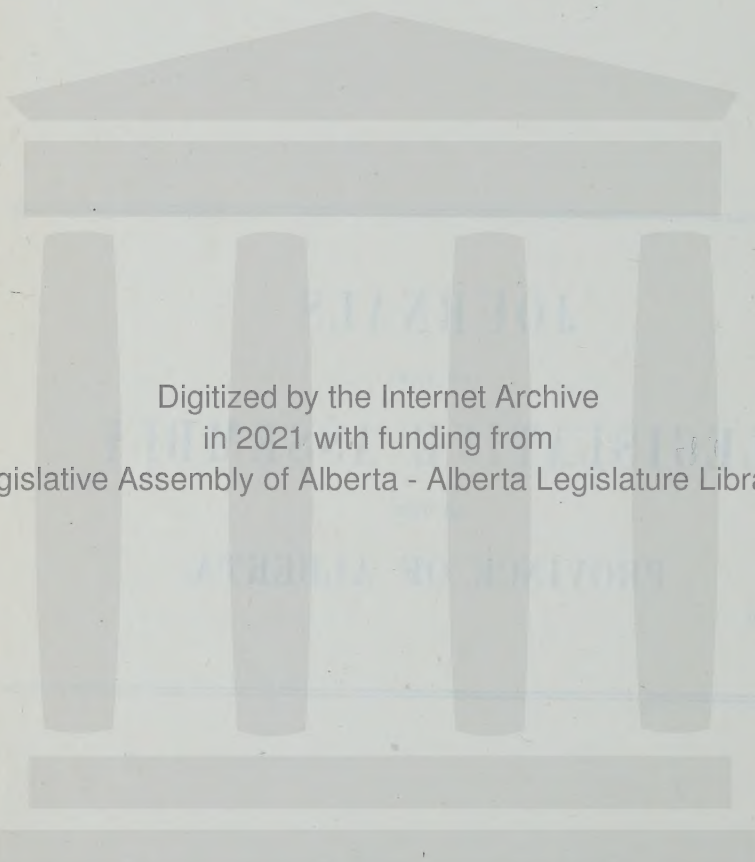


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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1917.

The Speaker took the chair at 3 o'clock.

This being the first day of the Fifth Session of the Third Legislature of the Province of Alberta for the despatch of business, the Clerk of the House read the proclamation of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, summoning the Members of the Legislative Assembly as follows:

“PROCLAMATION.

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“(GREAT SEAL)

“(Sgd.) R. G. BRETT,  
*Lieutenant Governor.*

“CANADA

“PROVINCE OF ALBERTA.

“GEORGE THE FIFTH, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

“TO OUR FAITHFUL THE MEMBERS elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of Alberta and to every of you, GREETING:

“PROCLAMATION.

“(Sgd.) C. R. MITCHELL,

*Acting Attorney General.*

{ WHEREAS it is expedient  
for certain causes and  
considerations to convene  
the Legislative Assembly of

Our Province of Alberta, WE DO WILL that you and each of you and all others in this behalf interested on TUESDAY,

the SIXTH day of the month of FEBRUARY NOW NEXT, at Our City of Edmonton, personally be and appear for the DESPATCH of BUSINESS, to treat, act, do and conclude upon those things which in the Legislature of Our Province of Alberta by the Common Council of Our said Province may, by the favour of God, be ordained.

“HEREIN fail not.

“IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our Province of Alberta to be hereunto affixed.

“WITNESS: ROBERT GEORGE BRETT, Lieutenant Governor of Our Province of Alberta, at Our Government House, in Our City of Edmonton, in Our said Province, this TWENTY-EIGHTH day of DECEMBER, in the year of Our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixteen, and in the SEVENTH year of Our Reign.

“By command,

(Sgd.) A. J. McLEAN,  
*Provincial Secretary.*”

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor entered the House and having taken his seat on the Throne was pleased to open the Session by the following gracious speech:

### “SPEECH FROM THE THRONE.

“MR. SPEAKER AND MEMBERS  
OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY:

“It gives me great pleasure to welcome you to the Fifth Session of the Third Legislature of the Province of Alberta, and to congratulate you upon the fact that again the province has been able, through a bountiful harvest, not only to assist in upbuilding its own resources, but also greatly add to the efficiency of the Empire.

“Since your last meeting His Majesty has been graciously pleased to appoint as Governor General of Canada the Duke of Devonshire. It is of special interest to agriculturalists that the highest position in the Dominion has thus been filled by one who has devoted his life and his means almost entirely to the development of agriculture and the improvement of stock. The women of Alberta, in common with the women of all Canada, will appreciate the fact that the Duchess of Devonshire, as the daughter of a former Governor General, spent five years of her life and attained womanhood in the



house to which she has now returned as mistress. On behalf of the Province of Alberta I extend to the Duke and Duchess of Devonshire a hearty welcome to Canada.

"The Duke of Connaught, the Duchess of Connaught, and the Princess Patricia in leaving our shores carry with them the highest esteem of the people of Canada, and leave behind them pleasant memories of the manner in which they, often at great personal inconvenience, studied the interests of the people of Canada, and fulfilled the duties of their exalted station, and a united Canada will wish success to His Royal Highness in the new and important position for which he has been selected.

"The fact that twelve of your Members have enlisted for active service in the cause of the Empire keeps us constantly reminded of the necessity of continued and greater endeavours to shoulder our part of the world's present task, and to continue our efforts until a settlement is reached that will insure for all time the liberty of our country and cause those who have lost their loved ones to feel that at least they have not died in vain.

"My Government feels that legislative recognition is due to the many soldiers who have gone abroad in defence of the Empire, and while recognizing the practical impossibility, in case of a general election before the conclusion of the war, of taking their votes in the ordinary way for practically all the thousands of polling divisions of Alberta upon one day, has decided as a special recognition of what is hoped to be for many generations a very special occasion, to create by legislation two constituencies at large for the Province of Alberta, of which the Members will be elected solely by the votes of the soldiers of Alberta abroad, with ample time to be fixed by returning officers for nomination and election, and under the sole supervision of the soldiers themselves.

"The responsibilities of every Government have been greatly enlarged through changes brought about by the war, but these changes have caused the people to realize more than ever the necessity of keeping in close touch with public affairs. They have seen it demonstrated that the personal liberty of the individual depends upon the manner in which the Government of his country is administered, and I feel strongly that one important result of this increased interest will be strengthened bonds of co-operation between people and Government in working for the advancement of Alberta.

"Upon my Government rests a grave responsibility in strengthening the foundation of this province so that it will sustain the immense structure that with careful building is bound to come. The great wealth of natural resources, mines, fisheries, immense agricultural possibilities will bring and hold the countless immigrants looking for new fields of enterprise after the Declaration of Peace, and when the war clouds have finally rolled away development should be so rapid as to justify



strong anticipatory measures. The newcomer, so far as is possible, should find here, as a citizen of the British Empire, a peaceful, contented and prosperous life.

"The Railway and Telephone development, already great, will be continued. The building of trunk roads, already so successful, will receive greater attention.

"The Agricultural Schools, which have received unstinted praise from high authorities, and which will in addition to their ordinary use be utilized for education in agricultural pursuits of returned soldiers, will require to be increased in numbers.

"The Technical Institute for Vocational Training already started on an extensive scale, largely as an immediate assistance in the training of soldiers in new means of livelihood, must be continued not only for that purpose but as an integral part of the Provincial Educational System. The assistance already so generously given returned soldiers and the dependants of those still at war, must be continued till all have found remunerative employment.

"Provision must be made for additional hospital accommodation so that settlers now deprived of medical attention may no longer suffer.

"Provision must be made for long time loans on farm property with the assistance of the credit of the province, on terms that make possible increased production.

"Provision must also be made for short term loans on co-operative principles with the assistance of municipalities and Government, and utilizing the ordinary banking facilities of the country for the purpose of meeting the many necessities of farm life.

"Such Bills as may be required for these purposes and other necessary Public and Private Acts will be introduced, and I commend same to your serious consideration.

"The Public Accounts for the last fiscal year will be laid before you, as well as Estimates of the amounts required for expenditure during the coming year, all prepared with due regard to economy and the requirements of the Public Service.

"GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY:

"I now leave you to the business of the Session, having full confidence that your deliberations will be Divinely guided to the best interests and welfare of the province."

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor then retired from the House.

"To the Hon. C. W. Fisher,  
Speaker, Legislative Assembly:

"I beg to advise you that Peter Gunn, M.L.A., submitted his resignation as Member for Lac Ste. Anne constituency on the 14th day of June, 1916.

"I have the honour to remain,

Yours very truly,

(Sgd.) JOHN D. HUNT,  
Clerk of the Executive Council."

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Sifton have leave to introduce a Bill respecting the Administration of Oaths of Office.

The Bill was read a First time.

Mr. Speaker informed the House that in order to prevent mistakes he had obtained a copy of the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which was laid on the Table.

On the motion of the Honourable Mr. Sifton, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Mitchell,

Ordered, That the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor be taken into consideration to-morrow, Wednesday, 7th day of February.

On the motion of the Honourable Mr. Sifton, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Mitchell,

Ordered, That the Votes and Proceedings of this House be printed, having first been perused by Mr. Speaker, and that he do appoint the printing thereof, and that no person but such as he shall appoint do presume to print the same.

On the motion of the Honourable Mr. Sifton, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Mitchell,

Ordered, That the Select Standing Committee of this House for the present Session be appointed for the following purposes:

1. On Privileges and Elections.
2. On Railways.
3. On Miscellaneous and Private Bills.
4. On Standing Orders.
5. On Public Accounts.
6. On Printing.
7. On Municipal Law.
8. On Legal Bills.
9. On Agriculture and Colonization.

which said several Committees shall severally be empowered to examine and to inquire into all such matters and things as shall be referred to them by the House and to report from time to time their observations and opinions thereon with power to send for persons, papers and records.



On the motion of the Honourable Mr. Sifton, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Mitchell,

Ordered, That a Special Committee of Nine Members be appointed to prepare and report with all convenient speed, lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by this House, and that the said Committee be composed as follows:

Messieurs Sifton, Boyle, Mitchell, Stewart, Pingle, Tobin, Michener, Tweedie and Hoadley.

The House adjourned at 3.20 to Wednesday at 3 o'clock.

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### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 3 o'clock.

The following petition was presented:

By Mr. MacKay: Of the Brule Lake Railway Company, for an Act to amend the Act incorporating above company as amended by chapter 35 of Statutes of Alberta, 1915.

The Honourable Mr. Sifton, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table of the House a Return to an Order of the House, dated March 21st, 1916, re Travelling and Subsistence Expenses of the Government and the London Agency, for the years 1905 to 1916. (*Sessional Paper No. 1.*)

The Honourable Mr. Sifton, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table of the House a Return to an Order of the House, dated March 30th, 1916, re Weekly Reports of Foremen on certain Telephone Lines during 1912. (*Sessional Paper No. 2.*)

The Honourable Mr. Sifton, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table of the House a Return to an Order of the House, dated March 30th, 1916, re Money Spent in construction of Rural and Toll Lines during 1914-15; also Amount of Wire Used from 1906 to 1909 inclusive. (*Sessional Paper No. 3.*)

The Honourable Mr. Sifton, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table of the House a Return to an Order of the House, dated March 30th, 1916, re Mileage of Rural Lines Built from 1906 to 1915. (*Sessional Paper No. 4.*)

The Honourable Mr. Sifton, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table of the House a Return to an Order of the House, dated March 30th, 1916, re Mileage of Toll Lines Built from 1906 to 1915. (*Sessional Paper No. 5.*)

The Honourable Mr. Sifton, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table of the House a Return to an Order of the House, dated March 30th, 1916, re Number of Telephones used each year.  
(*Sessional Paper No. 6.*)

The Honourable Mr. Sifton, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table of the House a Return to an Order of the House, dated April 6th, 1916, re Old Telephone Material.  
(*Sessional Paper No. 7.*)

The Honourable Mr. Sifton, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table of the House a Return to an Order of the House, dated April 7th, 1916, re Railway Securities.  
(*Sessional Paper No. 8.*)

The Honourable Mr. Sifton, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table of the House a Return to an Order of the House, dated April 11th, 1916, re Telephone Rentals in High River Exchange.  
(*Sessional Paper No. 9.*)

Moved by Mr. McKenney, seconded by Mr. McColl:

That an humble address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor of Alberta, as follows:

"To His Honour Robert George Brett,

Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Alberta:

"We, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly now assembled, beg leave to thank your Honour for the gracious Speech your Honour has addressed to us."

And a debate arising thereon,

On the motion of Mr. Michener,

Ordered, That the debate be adjourned.

The House adjourned at 4 o'clock to Thursday at 3.30 o'clock.

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## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 3.30 o'clock.

The following petition was read and received:

For an Act to amend Chapter 35 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1915, to incorporate the Brule Lake Railway Company.

Honourable Mr. Sifton, from the Select Committee appointed to prepare and report lists of the Members to compose the Standing Committees of the House, reported as follows:

PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS.—Hon. J. R. Boyle, Hon. W. Gariepy, Hon. C. R. Mitchell, Messieurs Campbell (Dr.) (Chairman), Glendenning, McColl, Moffat, McNaughton, Tweedie, Ewing, Hillocks.

MUNICIPAL LAW.—Hon. W. Gariepy, Hon. C. Stewart, Hon. C. W. Cross, Hon. J. R. Boyle, Messieurs Montgomery (Chairman), Smith, Leffingwell, McArthur, Tobin, MacKay, Cote, Boudreau, Michener, Hillocks, Tweedie, Ewing, Hoadley, Stanley.

LEGAL BILLS.—Hon. A. L. Sifton, Hon. C. W. Cross, Hon. J. R. Boyle, Messieurs MacKay (Chairman), Turgeon, McKenney, Ewing, Blow, Crawford.

STANDING ORDERS.—Hon. C. R. Mitchell, Hon. D. Marshall, Messieurs Puffer (Chairman), McCallum, Montgomery, Shaw, Patterson (Macleod), Archer, Kemmis.

PRINTING.—Hon. C. R. Mitchell, Messieurs Woolf (Chairman), McColl, Montgomery, Puffer, Campbell, Weidenhammer, Archer, Crawford.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.—Hon. C. Stewart, Hon. C. R. Mitchell, Hon. J. R. Boyle, Hon. W. Gariepy, Messieurs McNaughton (Chairman), Boudreau, McArthur, Tobin, Leffingwell, Campbell, MacKay, Pingle, Moffatt, Smith, Tweedie, Hoadley, Kemmis, Crawford, Ewing, Blow, Stanley.

MISCELLANEOUS AND PRIVATE BILLS.—Hon. J. R. Boyle, Hon. C. R. Mitchell, Hon. C. W. Cross, Hon. W. Gariepy, Messieurs Glendenning (Chairman), McCallum, Puffer, Cote, Woolf, MacKay, Lessard, Boudreau, Montgomery, Pingle, Tweedie, Hoadley, Hillocks, Stanley, Crawford, Patterson (Peace River).

RAILWAYS.—Hon. A. L. Sifton, Hon. C. R. Mitchell, Hon. C. Stewart, Hon. C. W. Cross, Hon. J. R. Boyle, Hon. D. Marshall, Hon. A. J. McLean, Hon. W. Gariepy, Hon. C. W. Fisher, Messieurs J. L. Cote (Chairman), C. S. Pingle, J. G. Turgeon, L. Boudreau, P. E. Lessard, R. L. Shaw, J. S. McCallum, F. S. Leffingwell, H. J. Montgomery, A. S. Shandro, J. A. McColl, A. G. MacKay, G. P. Smith, M. Woolf, W. Moffat, H. W. McKenney, J. P. McArthur, W. F. Puffer, S. G. Tobin, J. McNaughton, J. M. Glendenning, Dr. W. A. Campbell, E. Michener, T. M. M. Tweedie, A. F. Ewing, H. H. Crawford, F. Archer, Dr. T. H. Blow, S. B. Hillocks, Dr. G. D. Stanley, R. Patterson, G. Hoadley, A. Patterson, J. H. W. S. Kemmis, C. Weidenhammer.

AGRICULTURE.—Hon. A. L. Sifton, Hon. C. R. Mitchell, Hon. C. Stewart, Hon. C. W. Cross, Hon. J. R. Boyle, Hon. D. Marshall, Hon. A. J. McLean, Hon. W. Gariepy, Hon. C. W. Fisher, F. S. Leffingwell (Chairman), J. L. Cote, C. S. Pingle, J. G. Turgeon, L. Boudreau, P. E. Lessard, R. L. Shaw, J. S. McCallum, H. J. Montgomery, A. S. Shandro, J. A. McColl, A. G. MacKay, G. P. Smith, M. Woolf, W. Moffat, H. W. McKenney, J. P. McArthur, W. F. Puffer, S. G. Tobin, J. McNaughton, J. M. Glendenning, Dr. W. A. Campbell, E. Michener, T. M. M. Tweedie, A. F. Ewing, H. H. Crawford, F. Archer, Dr. T. H. Blow, S. B. Hillocks, Dr. G. D. Stanley, R. Patterson, G. Hoadley, A. Patterson, J. H. W. S. Kemmis, C. Weidenhammer.



The Order of the Day being read for further consideration of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor's Speech to the House,  
The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. Michener the debate was adjourned to Friday.

The House adjourned at 6 o'clock to Friday at 3 o'clock.

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## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 3 o'clock.

The following petitions were presented:

By Mr. Cote: Of the Central Canada Railway Company for an Act to amend the Act incorporating the Central Canada Railway Company.

By Mr. Cote: Of the Athabasca Valley Railway Company for an Act to amend the Act incorporating the Athabasca Valley Railway Company.

By Mr. Tweedie: Of the Alberta Guarantee & Fidelity Company for an Act to incorporate said Company.

By Mr. Tweedie: Of the City of Calgary for an Act to amend the Charter of the City of Calgary.

The Order of the Day being read for the further consideration of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor's Speech to the House,

The debate continued.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Gariepy the debate was adjourned to Monday.

At the moment of adjournment, the Hon. Mr. Sifton was privately informed of the sudden death of Mr. John Stocks, one of the Board of Public Utility Commissioners, and formerly Deputy Minister of Public Works in the Province.

The Premier, speaking under deep feeling, referred to the deceased as a very old personal friend, and as an old and highly respected Public Official, whom he had engaged when he was Minister of Public Works for the North-West Territories. The Province had lost a very valuable Public Servant and a man who was respected by every inhabitant of the Province, regardless of condition or race.

Mr. Michener said that he wished to join in the sentiments expressed by the Premier.

He had known Mr. Stocks for many years and he was held by all in the highest regard as a public servant.

He wished to express the deepest sympathy with the members of the family.

The House adjourned at 5.30 o'clock to Monday at 4 o'clock.

## MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 4 o'clock.

Hon. Mr. Boyle, a Member of the Executive Council, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, laid on the Table of the House, the Annual Report of the Board of Governors of the University of Alberta, for the year ending December 31st, 1916.  
(*Sessional Paper No. 10.*)

Hon. Mr. Sifton, a Member of the Executive Council, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, laid on the Table of the House, the Annual Report of the Board of Public Utility Commissioners, for the year 1916.  
(*Sessional Paper No. 11.*)

The following petitions were read and received:

For an Act to amend the Act incorporating the Athabasca Valley Railway Company.

For an Act to amend the Act incorporating the Central Canada Railway Company.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Sifton, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Mitchell:

That the name of Mr. Kemmis be added to the Standing Orders Committee in place of Mr. Weidenhammer.

The motion was agreed to.

The Order of the Day being read for the further consideration of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor's Speech to the House,

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. Crawford the debate was adjourned to Tuesday.

The House adjourned at 6 o'clock to Tuesday at 3 o'clock.

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## TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 3 o'clock.

The following petition was presented:

By Mr. Ewing: Of the Imperial Security Assurance Company, for an Act to incorporate the Imperial Security Assurance Company.

The following petitions were read and received:

For an Act to amend the Act incorporating the Calgary City Charter.

For an Act to incorporate the Alberta Guarantee & Fidelity Company.



The Order of the Day being read for the further consideration of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor's Speech to the House,

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. Boudreau the debate was adjourned to Wednesday.

The House adjourned at 5.45 o'clock to Wednesday at 3 o'clock.

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 3 o'clock.

The following petitions were presented:

By the Hon. Mr. Cross: Of the City of Edmonton for an Act to amend the Charter of the City of Edmonton.

By Mr. Hoadley: Of the City of Lethbridge for an Act to amend the Charter of the City of Lethbridge.

The following petition was read and received:

For an Act to incorporate the Imperial Security Assurance Company.

The Order of the Day being read for the further consideration of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor's Speech to the House,

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. Weidenhammer the debate was adjourned to Thursday.

The House adjourned at 5.50 o'clock to Thursday at 3 o'clock.

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 3 o'clock.

The following petitions were read and received:

For an Act to amend the Charter of the City of Lethbridge.

For an Act to amend the Charter of the City of Edmonton.

Mr. Ewing asked the Government the following question, of which he had given notice, and which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Cross:

Q. What is the total revenue received from the Calgary Land Titles Office and the Edmonton Land Titles Office, respectively, during the year 1916?

A. Revenue from Calgary Office.....	\$150,616.89
Revenue from Edmonton Office...	137,619.09

Mr. Ewing asked the Government the following questions, of which he had given notice, and which were answered by the Hon. Mr. Boyle:

1. Q. What is the total cost to date of the Ruthenian training school at Vegreville, Alberta?

A. The Government does not conduct a Ruthenian training school at Vegreville or elsewhere. There is, however, established at Vegreville an English School for Foreigners which is conducted by the Government through the Department of Education. This is a boarding school to which are admitted young men over sixteen years of age, foreign born, whose native tongue is other than English, who have been resident in the Province for at least two years, and have had some education in their mother tongue and desire to obtain an education in English. No distinction is made as to the nationality of the applicants.

The total cost of the institution, including furniture, equipment, rent, salaries and maintenance, year by year, is as follows:

1912.....	\$ 1,154.75
1913.....	14,474.65
1914.....	10,245.43
1915.....	8,183.28
1916.....	8,306.42

2. Q. What are the names of the teachers employed in such school, and the salary paid to each?

A. The only teacher now employed in the school is the principal, R. V. Howard, B.A., whose salary is \$1,500. He exercises general supervision over the institution and teaches the students until they have completed the work of the elementary grades. As soon as the students are, in the opinion of the principal, sufficiently advanced to be able to take their places satisfactorily in ordinary school classes they are taught in the Vegreville Schools under an arrangement with the Vegreville School Board, where they are permitted to continue until they have completed the course and passed the Grade XI examination.

3. Q. What proportion, if any, of the cost of such school is received from sources other than the province?

A. The students pay \$5.00 per week for their board. If the student is unable to pay cash, but can furnish security for future payment, the security is accepted if satisfactory.

Mr. Ewing asked the Government the following questions, of which he had given notice, and which were answered by the Hon. Mr. Sifton:

1. Q. What is the telephone capacity of the telephone exchange at Edson, Alberta?

A. 100 lines.

2. Q. What is the total cost of same?

A. \$12,924.76.

3. Q. What is the cost per phone?

A. The cost per phone varies from day to day according to the number of phones in operation. Taking the maximum number of operating phones as a basis, the cost per phone is \$133.24.

4. Q. What is the total phone capacity of the Stettler exchange?

A. 200 lines.

5. Q. What is the total cost of same?

A. \$21,109.11.

6. Q. What is the cost per phone?

A. The cost per phone varies from day to day according to the number of phones in operation. Taking the maximum number of operating phones as a basis the cost per phone is \$132.76.

Mr. Ewing asked the Government the following questions, of which he had given notice, and which were answered by the Hon. Mr. Mitchell:

1. Q. Has any printing been authorized or ordered by the Province since July 1st, 1916, from persons or corporations outside the Province of Alberta.

A. Yes.

2. Q. If so, from whom ordered, and the price of same?

A. Benallack Lithographing Co. . . . . \$ 599.58

Saults & Pollard, Limited. . . . . 2,788.00

3. Q. Has any such printing been completed or paid for?

A. Yes.

Moved by Mr. Ewing, seconded by Dr. Stanley:

That an Order of the House do issue for a Return showing:

The names of all persons or corporations who did public printing or binding for the Province since January 1st, 1916, and the total amount paid to each during such period.

The motion was agreed to.

Moved by Mr. Ewing, seconded by Dr. Stanley:

That an Order of the House do issue for a Return showing:

The names of all insurance brokers or agents to whom fire insurance premiums have been paid by the Province during the years 1915 and 1916, and the total amount paid to each during such period.

The motion was agreed to.

Moved by Mr. Ewing, seconded by Dr. Stanley:

That an Order of the House do issue for a Return showing:

1. The names of all persons employed as solicitors or counsel by the Province since March, 1916, and the total amount paid to each during such period.

2. (a) The names of all persons or corporations to whom liquor forfeited to the Province has been sold since July 1st, 1916.

(b) The amount of liquor sold.

(c) The amount of money received from each in respect of such sale.

The motion was agreed to.

Hon. Mr. Cross, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table of the House:

A Return to an Order of the House, of this date, respecting counsel employed by Province, and liquor forfeited to the Province.  
(*Sessional Paper No. 12.*)

The Order of the Day being read for the further consideration of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor's speech to the House,

The debate continued.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Mitchell the debate was adjourned to Friday.

The House adjourned at 6 o'clock to Friday at 3 o'clock.

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#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 3 o'clock.

Hon. Mr. Mitchell laid on the Table of the House a statement re the Canadian Northern Western Railway flotation of bonds, dated February 16th, 1912, sold February 26th, 1914.  
(*Sessional Paper No. 13.*)

Hon. Chas. Stewart, a Member of the Executive Council, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, laid on the Table of the House the Annual Report of the Department of Public Works of the Province of Alberta from January 1st to December 31st, 1916.  
(*Sessional Paper No. 14.*)

The Order of the Day being read for the further consideration of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor's Speech to the House,

The debate continued.

On the motion of Dr. Blow the debate was adjourned to Monday.

The House adjourned at 5.50 o'clock to Monday at 4 o'clock.

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#### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 4 o'clock.

The Order of the Day being read for the further consideration of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor's Speech to the House,  
The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. Hillocks the debate was adjourned to Tuesday.

The House adjourned at 5.50 o'clock to Tuesday at 3 o'clock.

## TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Archer asked the Government the following questions, of which he had given notice, and which were answered by Hon. Mr. Stewart:

1. Q. What was cost of steel superstructure of Moose Mountain bridge over the Red Deer River in Township 34, Range 3, west of the 5th?

A. \$8,400.31 f.o.b. Bowden, Alberta.

2. Q. Total cost of bridge completed?

A. \$17,427.31.

3. Q. Cost of breakwater?

A. \$7,517.42.

NOTE.—Location given in question 1 should read Township 35 instead of Township 34.

Mr. Crawford asked the Government the following question, of which he had given notice, and which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Mitchell for Hon. Mr. Marshall:

Q. The number of acres summer-fallowed each year to date on the various Demonstration Farms?

A. *Summer-fallow 1913.*

Medicine Hat Demonstration Farm.....	185	acres
Olds " " .....	50	"
Sedgewick " " .....	30	"
Stony Plain " " .....	15	"
Vermilion " " .....	35	"

*Summer-fallow 1914.*

Claresholm Demonstration Farm.....	100	"
Medicine Hat " " .....	185	"
Olds " " .....	45	"
Sedgewick " " .....	105	"
Stony Plain " " .....	15	"
Vermilion " " .....	35	"

*Summer-fallow 1915.*

Claresholm Demonstration Farm.....	95	"
Medicine Hat " " .....	170	"
Olds " " .....	15	"
Sedgewick " " .....	170	"
Stony Plain " " .....	14	"
Vermilion " " .....	34	"



*Summer-fallow 1916.*

Athabasca	Demonstration Farm	15 acres
Claresholm	" "	60 "
Medicine Hat	" "	190 "
Olds	" "	20 "
Sedgewick	" "	159 "
Stony Plain	" "	15 "
Vermilion	" "	20 "

Mr. Crawford asked the Government the following question, of which he had given notice, and which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Marshall:

Q. The number of each kind of stock that has died on each of the Demonstration Farms each year to date?

A. 1912	1913	1914	1915	1916
<i>Athabasca Farm.</i>				
None	None	1 cow	5 cows	1 calf
		1 horse	7 calves	1 foal
			3 young pigs	5 young pigs
<i>Claresholm Farm.</i>				
None	3 cows	3 calves	1 foal	6 young pigs
		1 foal	1 young pig	
			3 ewes	
			2 lambs	
<i>Medicine Hat Farm.</i>				
1911-1912				
4 cows	1 cow	3 calves	1 calf	1 calf
		4 cows	1 cow	3 young pigs
		4 young pigs	1 horse	
			1 young pig	
<i>Olds Farm.</i>				
1912				
3 horses	1 bull	3 calves	1 calve	6 calves
3 cows		2 cows	1 foal	2 cows
		1 steer	1 young pig	2 horses
		1 ewe		
		1 foal		
<i>Sedgewick Farm.</i>				
None	1 cow	5 calves	3 calves	4 calves
	1 horse	1 mare	3 cows	5 cows
		8 young pigs	1 horse	1 horse
			1 foal	3 foals
			4 ewes	3 ewes
			2 young pigs	2 lambs
			3 lambs	1 young pig

*Stony Plain Farm.*

None	1 cow	7 calves	3 calves	1 cow
		8 cows	1 cow	1 foal
		1 colt	1 horse	1 ewe
		2 young pigs	4 young pigs	3 lambs
				2 young pigs

*Vermilion Farm.*

None	2 cows	7 calves	3 calves	2 calves
	1 sheep	3 cows	2 cows	2 cows
		10 ewes	3 foals	1 foal
		8 lambs	5 young pigs	3 ewes
		2 rams		1 young pig

Mr. Kemmis asked the Government the following questions, of which he had given notice, and which were answered by the Hon. Mr. Mitchell for the Hon. Mr. Cross:

1. Q. Is Dr. Strong in the employ of the Government?

A. No.

2. Q. If so, in what Department, and in what capacity?

A. No.

3. Q. The same questions in re David Bayne, Thos. McKercher, F. G. Forster, J. D. Nicholson and C. B. Morris?

A. David Bayne, nil.

Thos. McKercher, nil.

F. G. Forster, Attorney General's Department, Chief Inspector under the Liquor Act.

J. D. Nicholson, Attorney General's Department, Criminal Detective.

C. B. Morris, Attorney General's Department, Chief Detective under the Liquor Act.

4. Q. What are the salaries of the above named?

A. David Bayne.....Nil.

Thos. McKercher.....Nil.

F. G. Forster.....\$3,480.00 per annum.

J. D. Nicholson.....2,200.00 per annum.

C. B. Morris.....3,000.00 per annum.

Mr. Hillocks asked the Government the following questions, of which he had given notice, and which were answered by Hon. Mr. Stewart for the Hon. Mr. McLean:

1. Q. Is Dr. Dawson still in the employ of the Government?

A. No.

2. Q. If not, when such employment ceased?

A. October 31st, 1916.

3. Q. Who has been employed as his successor at the Hospital for the Insane at Ponoka?

A. Dr. Edleston H. Cooke.

4. Q. When was Dr. Dawson's successor appointed?

A. November 1st, 1916.

5. Q. Are any other medical practitioners permanently employed at the Hospital for the Insane at Ponoka?

A. Yes.

Dr. Stanley asked the Government the following questions, of which he had given notice, and which were answered by Hon. Mr. Mitchell for Hon. Mr. Cross:

1. Q. Has W. W. Cheeley been in the employ of this Government?

A. Yes.

2. Q. If so, in what Department, and under what dates?

A. In the Land Titles Office at Calgary, from September 1st, 1914, to September 30th, 1915.

3. Q. What amounts were paid to him on account of salary?

A. \$100.00 per month.

Mr. Michener asked the Government the following questions, of which he had given notice, and which were answered by Hon. Mr. Sifton:

1. Q. What is the total mileage completed on the Canadian Northern Western Railway under schedule of Chapter 19, of the 1911-12 Statutes?

A. Under operation, 153.16 miles.

Steel laid, 169.9 "

Additional grade, 161.2 "

2. Q. What is the total payment to date to said Railway Company under The Guarantee Act?

A. \$3,846,610.59.

3. Q. What is the total amount of guarantee bonds sold under the said Act?

A. £1,320,000 (\$6,424,000).

4. Q. What is the total amount which has been deposited to the credit of the Provincial Treasurer under said sale or sales?

A. \$5,437,433.86.

5. Q. Through whom were the sales or sale negotiated and at what cost?

A. Messrs. Lazard Freres.

6. Q. Have any bonds under this Act been executed which have not been sold and placed to the credit of the Provincial Treasurer?

A. \$8,370,500 executed.

6,424,000 sold.

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\$1,946,500

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Mr. Michener asked the Government the following questions, of which he had given notice, and which were answered by the Hon. Mr. Sifton:

1. Q. What is the total mileage completed on the Edmonton, Dunvegan and British Columbia Railway to date?

- A. Under operation, 407.11, but lines not completed.  
 Steel laid, 407.11.  
 Additional grade, 54.19.  
 This includes the Grande Prairie Branch.

2. Q. What is the total payment under the Guarantee Act to said Railway Company to date?

A. \$7,282,133.74.

3. Q. What is the total mileage completed on the Grande Prairie Branch of the Edmonton, Dunvegan and British Columbia Railway?

A. 50.11 miles steel laid, but line not completed.

4. Q. What is the total payment under The Guarantee Act to said Railway Company to date?

A. \$459,448.72.

5. Q. What is the total mileage completed on the Alberta and Great Waterways Railway to date?

A. Under operation, 114 miles, but line not completed.

Steel laid, 232.7 "

Additional grade, 57.64 "

6. Q. What is the total payment under The Guarantee Act to said Railway Company to date?

A. \$5,269,530.00.

Mr. R. Patterson asked the Government the following questions, of which he had given notice, and which were answered by Hon. Mr. Mitchell for Hon. Mr. Cross:

1. Q. What salary does W. F. Gold, Inspector Administration Liquor Act, receive?

A. \$2,500.00 per annum.

2. Q. Is he employed in any other way than that of Administration of Liquor Act?

A. No.

Moved by Mr. Kemmis, seconded by Mr. Hillocks:

That an Order of the House do issue for a Return showing:

Number of patients now in Hospital for Insane at Ponoka.

Number of patients whose maintenance is provided for in full otherwise than by the Government.

Number of patients who are partially maintained otherwise than by the Government.

Number of patients whose maintenance is wholly provided by the Government.

The motion was agreed to.

Moved by Mr. R. Patterson, seconded by Mr. Hillocks:

That an Order of the House do issue for a Return showing:

1. Are all horses now in service at Lethbridge Gaol Farm the property of the Government?

2. If not, how many, from whom, and at what rates are such horses hired?

3. Were any horses hired to work on this farm, during 1915 and 1916?

4. If so, from whom, for what length of time, and at what rates?

The motion was agreed to.

Moved by Dr. Stanley, seconded by Mr. Hillocks:

That an Order of the House do issue for a Return showing:

All letters, documents and reports, expert or otherwise, in re negotiations for and purchase of the property at Red Deer to be used by this Government for the purpose of the work on behalf of the feeble-minded.

The motion was agreed to.

Moved by Mr. Crawford, seconded by Mr. Hillocks:

That an Order of the House do issue for a Return showing:

All moneys paid to the Albertan and Bulletin Publishing Companies, through the Telephone Department during 1915 and 1916.

The motion was agreed to.

Moved by Mr. Weidenhammer, seconded by Mr. Archer:

That an Order of the House do issue for a Return showing:

1. The amount of assessments on Wild Lands as follows:

S.E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 2, Tp. 51, R. 1, west of 5th.

S.W.  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 14, Tp. 51, R. 1, west of 5th.

N.  $\frac{1}{2}$  Sec. 3, Tp. 51, R. 1, west of 5th.

N.  $\frac{1}{2}$  Sec. 36, Tp. 50, R. 1, west of 5th.

S.W.  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 1, Tp. 52, R. 27, west of 4th.

2. The amount of Wild Land Tax collected to date on the above described lands.

The motion was agreed to.

Moved by Mr. Michener, seconded by Mr. Hillocks:

That an Order of the House do issue for a Return showing:

1. The names of Officials and Civil Servants that were engaged in the enforcement of the Liquor License Ordinance just before the present Liquor Act came into force.

2. The names of Officials and Civil Servants now engaged in connection with the enforcement of the present Liquor Act.

The motion was agreed to.

Moved by Mr. Crawford, seconded by Dr. Stanley:

That an Order of the House do issue for a Return showing:

The name of each pool room inspector at any time in the employ of the Government since January 1st, 1916, to date. Also dates any of such officials ceased to hold office.

(a) Monthly salary paid each official when in such employment.

(b) A list of convictions under The Pool Room Act from January 1st, 1916, to date, giving full particulars in each case.

The motion was agreed to.



Moved by Mr. Crawford, seconded by Dr. Stanley:

That an Order of the House do issue for a Return showing:

The names of all Officials, such as Inspectors, Detectives and others having been at any time in the employ of the Government, since the coming into force of The Liquor Act, for the administration and enforcement of said Act. Also the dates such officials were employed, and if not still employed the dates they ceased to be in the employ of the Government and whether they were dismissed or left of their own accord. Also the salary per month paid to each such official, and in what capacity said official was employed.

The motion was agreed to.

Moved by Mr. Crawford, seconded by Mr. Ewing:

That an Order of the House do issue for a Return showing:

All correspondence and petitions that have at any time been presented to the Government respecting certain drainage for the lowering of Cooking Lake. Also a copy of any correspondence relative to such petitions. Also copy of all correspondence between the Provincial and Federal governments in connection with such drainage.

The motion was agreed to.

Moved by Mr. Crawford, seconded by Mr. Ewing:

That an Order of the House do issue for a Return showing:

All correspondence and petitions in connection with the transfer of land of Local Improvement District No. 518 to Corn Hill Municipality. Also all correspondence and petitions requesting that said land and other lands be transferred back into said Local Improvement District No. 518. Also a statement showing any arrears of taxes in said Local Improvement District which have been paid in since said lands were transferred to the Corn Hill Municipality, showing in each case whether such taxes were credited to the said Local Improvement District or Municipality. Also legal description of said lands transferred to said Municipality from said Local Improvement District.

The motion was agreed to.

Moved by Mr. Crawford, seconded by Dr. Blow:

That an Order of the House do issue for a Return showing:

1. The names of all persons who have ever done Telephone Contracting for the Government.

2. An itemized statement showing tools and other equipment as sold by the Government to each of said Telephone Contractors, showing in each case the prices received and if such tools and equipment were sold by tender or otherwise.

The motion was agreed to.

The Order of the Day being read for the further consideration of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor's Speech to the House,

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. Hillocks the debate was adjourned to Thursday.

The House adjourned at 6 o'clock to Thursday at 3 o'clock.

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### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 3 o'clock.

The Hon. Mr. Mitchell, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table of the House a Return to an Order of the House, dated February 12th, 1917, re persons or corporations who did public printing for the Province since January 1st, 1916. *(Sessional Paper No. 15.)*

The Hon. Mr. Mitchell, for the Hon. Mr. Cross, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table of the House a Return to an Order of the House, dated February 20th, 1917, re Pool-room Inspectors. *(Sessional Paper No. 16.)*

The Hon. Mr. Mitchell, for the Hon. Mr. Cross, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table of the House a Return to an Order of the House, dated February 20th, 1917, re Officials engaged in enforcement of Liquor License Ordinance and Liquor Act. *(Sessional Paper No. 17.)*

The Hon. Mr. Gariepy, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table of the House a Return to an Order of the House, dated February 20th, 1917, re certain assessments on wild lands and amounts collected. *(Sessional Paper No. 18.)*

The Hon. Mr. Gariepy, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table of the House a Return to an Order of the House, dated February 20th, 1917, re Transfer of Land of Local Improvement District No. 518. *(Sessional Paper No. 19.)*

Mr. Hillocks asked the Government the following question, of which he had given notice, and which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Gariepy:

Q. Does the Government exercise any supervision in re overhead expenses for collection of taxes in Rural Municipalities?

A. No.

Mr. Crawford asked the Government the following questions, of which he had given notice, and which were answered by the Hon. Mr. Sifton:

Q. 1. How many Swan anchors were purchased by the Department of Telephones and at what price, including freight charges?

- A. (a) Prior to 1913, 6,000 at \$52.25 per hundred.  
 (b) In 1913, nil.  
 (c) In 1914, nil.  
 (d) In 1915, nil.  
 (e) In 1916, nil.

Q. 2. How many were used each year to date?

A. In 1914, 209.

In 1915, 53.

In 1916, 10.

No record of quantity used previous years. Each individual job having been charged with the value of the quantity used on it.

Q. 3. How many are on hand at the present time?

A. 638.

Mr. R. Patterson asked the Government the following questions, of which he had given notice, and which were answered by the Hon. Mr. Marshall:

Q. 1. How many men are employed in the execution of Prairie Fires Ordinance and Game Act?

A. Nine.

Q. 2. What are their names and salaries?

A. Names	Salaries
Benj. Lawton, Chief Game Guardian	\$1,920.00
Donald McEachran.....	1,500.00
Jas. I. Brewster.....	1,440.00
E. Simons.....	1,200.00
A. Campbell.....	1,200.00
M. F. Webb.....	1,200.00
P. Tomkins.....	1,200.00
A. C. Ross.....	1,200.00
Hy. Riviere.....	1,200.00

Q. 3. What is the number of prosecutions and convictions during the past year?

A. 198 prosecutions, 190 convictions.

Mr. Crawford asked the Government the following questions, of which he had given notice, and which were answered by the Hon. Mr. Sifton:

Q. 1. Has the Government at any time through its employees or officials, circulated petitions requesting signatures petitioning for telephone construction and telephone service?

A. No.

Q. (a) If so, in what years?

(b) What are the names of such officials?

A. By number 1.

Moved by Mr. Michener, seconded by Mr. Ewing:

That an Order of the House do issue for a Return showing:

All payments, with dates to the Alberta and Great Waterways Railway Company on account of Edmonton terminals under the Guarantee Act.

The motion was agreed to.

Moved by Mr. Ewing, seconded by Mr. Kemmis:

That an Order of the House do issue for a Return showing:

1. The names of all civil servants who have at any time misappropriated funds from the Province.

2. The amount of such misappropriation in each case, also what amount in each case has been repaid?

3. The names of all civil servants who are yet in the employ of the Government who have been guilty of misappropriation of funds.

The motion was agreed to.

Moved by Mr. Tweedie, seconded by Mr. Hoadley:

That the House refer to the Committee on Public Accounts all matters in any way relating to the incorporation, guarantee of bonds, loans by Province for construction, maintenance and operation of—

(a) Edmonton, Dunvegan and British Columbia Railway Company;

(b) Central Canada Railway Company;

(c) Alberta and Great Waterways Railway Company;

(d) Canadian Northern Western Railway Company;

(e) Lacombe and Blindman Valley Railway Company.

The motion was agreed to.

The Order of the Day being read for the further consideration of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor's Speech to the House,  
The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. Hillocks the debate was adjourned to Friday.

The House adjourned at 6 o'clock to Friday at 3 o'clock.

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## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 3 o'clock.

The following petition was presented:

By Mr. MacKay: Of the Crow's Nest and Tent Mountain Railway Company, for an Act to incorporate the said company.

The Order of the Day being read for the further consideration of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor's Speech to the House,

The debate continued.



On the motion of Mr. Kemmis the debate was adjourned to Monday.

The House adjourned at 6 o'clock to Monday at 4 o'clock.

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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 4 o'clock.

The following petition was presented:

By Mr. F. S. Leffingwell: Of the Farmers' Fire and Hail Company, for an Act to incorporate said Company.

The Order of the Day being read for the further consideration of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor's Speech to the House,

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. Hoadley the debate was adjourned to Tuesday.

The House adjourned at 5.50 o'clock to Tuesday at 3 o'clock.

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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 3 o'clock.

The Hon. Mr. Marshall, a Member of the Executive Council, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, laid on the Table of the House the Annual Report of the Department of Agriculture for the year ending December 31st, 1916.

*(Sessional Paper No. 20.)*

The following petitions were read and received:

For an Act to incorporate the Farmers' Fire and Hail Company.

For an Act to incorporate the Crow's Nest and Tent Mountain Railway Company.

The Hon. Mr. Stewart, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table of the House a Return to an Order of the House, dated February 20th, 1917, re maintenance of patients in Hospital for Insane at Ponoka. *(Sessional Paper No. 21.)*

The Hon. Mr. Stewart, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table of the House a Return to an Order of the House, dated February 20th, 1917, re horses at Lethbridge Gaol Farm. *(Sessional Paper No. 22.)*

The Hon. Mr. Stewart, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table of the House a Return to an Order of the House, dated February 20th, 1917, re drainage for the lowering of Cooking Lake. *(Sessional Paper No. 23.)*

The Hon. Mr. Mitchell, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table of the House a Return to an Order of the House, dated February 15th, 1917, re Insurance Brokers to whom fire insurance premiums have been paid by the Province. *(Sessional Paper No. 24.)*

Mr. Crawford asked the Government the following questions of which he had given notice, and which were answered by the Hon. Mr. Sifton:

1. Q. How many petitions have been received for Rural and Toll Line Telephones where such lines have not yet been built—

1. Prior to December 31st, 1913?
2. In 1914?
3. In 1915?
4. In 1916?

2. Q. What mileage would be represented by the various petitions—

1. Prior to December 31st, 1913?
2. In 1914?
3. In 1915?
4. In 1916?

A. The nature of petitions for rural lines precludes the possibility of giving definite answers to these questions. Petitions are circulated throughout a large territory and signed indiscriminately without regard to location of petitioners; specific routes; or, the regulations of the Department and several petitions may apply to the same territory. It is very rarely that any of these petitions qualify as a whole and the mileage that might qualify can only be computed at the time construction work is being carried out. The only real information conveyed by these petitions is that rural telephone service is desired in the different districts to which they apply.

Mr. Crawford asked the Government the following questions, of which he had given notice, and which were answered by the Hon. Mr. Sifton:

1. Q. How many appointments have been made to date in connection with the Provincial Police Commission and Police Force?

A. Superintendent.....	1
Assistant Superintendent.....	1
Inspectors.....	5
Detectives.....	12
Sergeants.....	6
Corporals.....	4

Engaged:

First Class Constables.....	36
Second Class Constables.....	11
Third Class Constables.....	5
Special Constables.....	4

Total..... 85

2. Q. How many of these men are returned soldiers?

A. Returned soldiers engaged..... 8

Returned soldiers notified to appear personally who have not yet reported... 5

Rejected..... 3

Mr. Archer asked the Government the following question, of which he had given notice, and which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Marshall:

Q. Does the Government feed all straw grown on the Demonstration Farms? If not, what percentage has been burned each year to date?

A. All the straw grown on the Demonstration Farms is either fed or used for bedding. One stack of straw on the Sedgewick Farm and one on the Claresholm Farm were accidentally burned, one in the Fall of 1915, and one in the Spring of 1916.

Mr. Crawford asked the Government the following questions, of which he had given notice, and which were answered by the Hon. Mr. Sifton:

1. Q. How many Swan anchors has the Department of Telephones sold each year to date, and at what price?

A. 1916, 1,000 at 30 cents each.

*Note.*—These anchors through their use in 1912 and 1913, when we used four thousand and ninety (4,090) were found to be more expensive and not as efficient as the slug or “deadman” anchor. In order to make them carry the strain of a telephone lead, a log was used the same as with an anchor rod, except that a hole large enough to admit the eye of the swan had to be bored and chiselled out, taking longer to fit up than a slug, and just as long to place in the ground.

2. Q. At what price were 638 Swan anchors, now in hand, taken into stock on January 1st, 1917?

A. 52.25 cents each (\$52.25 per hundred).

*Note.*—All material is taken into stock at the last purchasing price. When it is no longer of any service to the Department it is then sold at its present market value. The stock is credited with its original cost, and the difference, if a loss, is written off out of income, and if a gain is added to income.

Mr. Crawford asked the Government the following questions, of which he had given notice, and which were answered by the Hon. Mr. Sifton:

How many telephone poles were purchased—

1. Q. 1915?

A. 726.

2. Q. 1916?

A. None.

How many telephone poles were used—

1. Q. 1915?

A. 57,952.

2. Q. 1916?

A. 1,536.

Mr. Ewing asked the Government the following questions, of which he had given notice, and which were answered by the Hon. Mr. Stewart for the Hon. Mr. McLean:

1. Q. What was the total number of boxes purchased by the Government for receiving Theatre tickets?

A. 96 galvanized iron boxes, also 35 ticket choppers for receiving and destroying tickets.

2. Q. From whom were such boxes purchased?

A. Western Supplies, Limited, and The Smiley Company,

3. Q. What was the price paid for each?

A. 66 and 30 boxes at \$5.25 and \$5.50 each respectively, and 35 choppers at \$85.00 each.

Mr. Patterson (Macleod) asked the Government the following questions, of which he had given notice, and which were answered by the Hon. Mr. Stewart:

1. Q. How many engineers are employed in Fort Saskatchewan Gaol?

A. 5.

Q. In Lethbridge Gaol?

A. 4.

2. Q. How many Guards are employed in Fort Saskatchewan Gaol?

A. 9.

Q. In Lethbridge Gaol?

A. 9.

3. Q. What is the salary per month of engineers?

A. Fort Saskatchewan—

1 at \$125.00 per month.

2 at \$100.00 per month.

2 at \$90.00 per month.

Lethbridge Gaol—

3 at \$90.00 per month.

1 at \$130.00 per month.

Of Guards:

Lethbridge Gaol—

6 at \$50.00 per month.

3 at \$45.00 per month.

Fort Saskatchewan Gaol—

\$40.00 per month each.

Moved by Mr. Weidenhammer, seconded by Mr. Patterson (Peace River):

That an Order of the House do issue for a Return showing:  
How many pure bred Shorthorns were purchased outside  
of the Province for Demonstration Farms in 1915-16.

State particulars as follows:

- (a) Sex.
- (b) Age.
- (c) Name and Address of seller.
- (d) Cost of each.
- (e) Where each animal was placed, and is now?

The motion was agreed to.

The Order of the Day being read for the further consideration  
of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor's Speech to the House,  
The debate continued.

Mr. Hoadley moved, seconded by Mr. Patterson (Peace  
River), the following amendment:

That the following words be added to the motion:

"But this House regrets that the Government has not seen  
fit to investigate before a Royal Commission the serious charges  
made in the House in its Session of 1916 against the Attorney  
General and the Minister of Railways and Telephones, thereby  
violating an essential principle of Parliamentary Government."

The amendment being put and the Ayes and Noes being  
called for, Mr. Speaker declared that "The Noes have it,"  
and

The names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment:

Messieurs Hillocks

Stanley

Kemmis

Ewing

Michener

Hoadley

Patterson (Macleod)

Crawford

Blow

Archer

Weidenhammer

Patterson (Peace River) 12

Against the amendment:

Messieurs Boyle

Gariepy

Marshall

Cross

Sifton

Mitchell

Stewart

Pingle

Campbell (Ponoka)

Smith

Puffer

MacKay



Woolf  
 Leffingwell  
 Shaw  
 Lessard  
 Glendenning  
 Boudreau  
 McArthur  
 McNaughton  
 McColl  
 McCallum  
 Montgomery  
 Cote  
 Moffatt  
 Tobin

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The amendment was therefore lost, and the motion being again put, Mr. Speaker declared that "The Ayes have it."

The motion was agreed to as follows:

Moved by Mr. McKenney, seconded by Mr. McColl:

That an humble address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor of Alberta as follows:

"To His Honour Robert George Brett,

Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Alberta:

"We, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly now assembled, beg leave to thank your Honour for the gracious Speech your Honour has addressed to us."

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Sifton, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Mitchell:

Ordered, That the address be engrossed and presented to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor by such members of this House as are members of the Executive Council.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Sifton, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Mitchell:

That this House do resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.

The motion was agreed to.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Sifton, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Mitchell:

That this House do resolve itself into a Committee to consider the Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. Puffer, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the following report:

1. That with respect to the petition of the Alberta Guarantee and Fidelity Company (Bill No. 1),

2. That with respect to the petition of the Brule Lake Railway Company (Bill No. 2),

3. That with respect to the petition of the Imperial Security Assurance Company (Bill No. 3),

4. That with respect to the petition of the Athabasca Valley Company (Bill No. 5),

5. That with respect to the petition of the Edmonton City Charter (Bill No. 6),

6. That with respect to the petition of the Calgary City Charter (Bill No. 7),

The committee finds that the Rules of the House with regard to advertising and payment of fees have been fully complied with and recommends that leave be granted to introduce said Bills.

Ordered, That the report be received and concurred in.

Ordered, That Mr. Hoadley, for Mr. Tweedie, have leave to introduce Bill No. 1, An Act to incorporate the Alberta Guarantee and Fidelity Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time to-morrow, Wednesday.

Ordered, That Mr. MacKay have leave to introduce Bill No. 2, An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Brule Lake Railway Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time to-morrow, Wednesday.

Ordered, That Mr. Ewing have leave to introduce Bill No. 3, An Act to incorporate the Imperial Security Assurance Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time to-morrow, Wednesday.

Ordered, That Mr. Cote have leave to introduce Bill No. 5, An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Athabasca Valley Railway Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time to-morrow, Wednesday.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Cross have leave to introduce Bill No. 6, An Act to amend the Edmonton City Charter.

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time to-morrow, Wednesday.

Ordered, That Mr. Hoadley, for Mr. Tweedie, have leave to introduce Bill No. 7, An Act to amend the Calgary City Charter.

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time to-morrow, Wednesday.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Mitchell, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Sifton:

That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair and that the House go into Committee of the Whole to consider a resolution for an Act to provide for long term mortgage loans to farmers on an amortization plan.

The Hon. Mr. Mitchell, a Member of the Executive Council, then stated to the House that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The motion was agreed to.

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on a Resolution respecting an Act to provide for long term mortgage loans to farmers on an amortization plan, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the chair and Mr. Smith reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution, and the same was read as follows:

Resolved, That—

It is expedient to introduce a Bill for an Act to provide for Long Term Mortgage Loans to farmers on an amortization plan.

Ordered, That the Resolution be now read a Second time.

The Resolution was accordingly read a Second time and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Mitchell have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for Long Term Mortgage Loans to farmers on an amortization plan."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Thursday next.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Mitchell, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Sifton:

That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair and that the House go into Committee of the Whole to consider a resolution for a Bill for an Act to provide for Co-operative Rural Credit.

The Hon. Mr. Mitchell, a Member of the Executive Council, then stated to the House that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The motion was agreed to.

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on a Resolution respecting an Act to provide for Co-operative Rural Credit, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the chair and Mr. Smith reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution, and the same was read as follows:

Resolved, That—

It is expedient to introduce a Bill for an Act to provide for Co-operative Rural Credit.

Ordered, That the Resolution be now read a Second time.

The Resolution was accordingly read a Second time and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Mitchell have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for Co-operative Rural Credit."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Thursday next.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Mitchell, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Sifton:

That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair and that the House go into Committee of the Whole to consider a Resolution for an Act respecting The Alberta Co-operative Credit Act.

The Hon. Mr. Mitchell, a Member of the Executive Council, then stated to the House that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The motion was agreed to.

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on a Resolution respecting The Alberta Co-operative Credit Act, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the chair and Mr. Smith reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution and the same was read as follows:

Resolved, That—

It is expedient to introduce an Act respecting The Alberta Co-operative Credit Act.

Ordered, That the Resolution be now read a Second time.

The Resolution was accordingly read a Second time and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Mitchell have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act respecting The Alberta Co-operative Credit Act."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Thursday next.



Moved by the Hon. Mr. Sifton, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Mitchell:

That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair and that the House go into Committee of the Whole and consider a resolution for an Act respecting The Alberta Police Force and to provide for the expenses thereof.

The Hon. Mr. Sifton, a Member of the Executive Council, then stated to the House that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The motion was agreed to.

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on a resolution for an Act respecting The Alberta Police Force and to provide for the expenses thereof, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported that the Committee had come to a resolution and the same was read as follows:

Resolved, That:

It is expedient to form a force to be called The Alberta Police Force and to provide for the expenses thereof.

Ordered, That the Resolution be now read a second time.

The Resolution was accordingly read a Second time and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Sifton have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act respecting the Police Force of the Province of Alberta."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Gariepy have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "The Hospital Act."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Friday next.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Mitchell have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Succession Duties Act."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Gariepy have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Town Act."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Gariepy have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Village Act."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and



Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Gariepy have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Rural Municipalities Act."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Gariepy have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Local Improvement Act."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Tuesday next.

The House adjourned at 5.30 o'clock to Wednesday at 3 o'clock.

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### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Puffer from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the following report:

1. That with respect to the petition of the Central Canada Railway Company (Bill No. 4).

The Committee finds that the Rules of the House with regard to advertising and payment of fees have been fully complied with and recommends that leave be granted to introduce said Bill.

The Committee begs to further report as follows:

1. That with respect to the petition of the City of Lethbridge for an Act to amend the City Charter (Bill No. 8).

2. That with respect to the petition of the Crow's Nest and Tent Mountain Railway Company (Bill No. 9)

3. That with respect to the petition of the Farmers' Fire and Hail Company (Bill No. 15).

The Committee finds that the Rules of the House with respect to payment of fees have been fully complied with, but that the Rules with regard to advertising have only been partly completed, but upon consideration the Committee finds it expedient that the Rules be suspended and that leave be granted to introduce said Bills.

Ordered, That the report be received and concurred in.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Marshall, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Gariepy:

That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair and that the House go into Committee of the Whole to consider a resolution for an Act to Encourage the Increased Raising of Live Stock in the Province of Alberta.

The Hon. Mr. Marshall, a Member of the Executive Council, then stated to the House that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The motion was agreed to.

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on a Resolution respecting an Act to Encourage the Increased Raising of Live Stock in the Province of Alberta, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Smith reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution and the same was read as follows:

Resolved, That

It is expedient to introduce a Bill for an Act to Encourage the Increased Raising of Live Stock in the Province of Alberta.

Ordered, That the Resolution be now read a Second time.

The Resolution was accordingly read a Second time and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Marshall have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act to Encourage the Increased Raising of Live Stock in the Province of Alberta."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Monday next.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Marshall, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Gariepy:

That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair and that the House go into Committee of the Whole to consider a Resolution for an Act respecting Advances for the Purchase of Seed Grain and the Securities for the Repayment thereof.

The Hon. Mr. Marshall, a Member of the Executive Council, then stated to the House that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The motion was agreed to.

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on a Resolution respecting Advances for the Purchase of Seed Grain and the Securities for the Repayment Thereof, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Smith reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution, and the same was read as follows:

Resolved, That—

It is expedient to introduce a Bill, An Act respecting Advances for the Purchase of Seed Grain and the Securities for the Repayment Thereof.

Ordered, That the Resolution be now read a Second time.

The Resolution was accordingly read a Second time and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Marshall have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act respecting Advances for the Purchase of Seed Grain and the Securities for the Repayment Thereof."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Monday next.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Stewart have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act to Amend an Act to Incorporate the Alberta Farmers' Co-operative Elevator Company."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Monday next.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Stewart have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act to Amend The Public Works Act."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Monday next.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Stewart have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act to Amend The Drainage Act."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Monday next.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Stewart have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act to Amend The Private Ditches Act."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Monday next.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Sifton have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act to Amend The Liquor Act."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. Leffingwell have leave to introduce Bill No. 15, An Act to incorporate the Farmers' Fire and Hail Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time tomorrow, Thursday.



Ordered, That Mr. Hoadley have leave to introduce Bill No. 8, An Act to Amend The Act incorporating the Lethbridge City Charter.

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time tomorrow, Thursday.

Ordered, That Mr. Puffer for Mr. MacKay, have leave to introduce Bill No. 9, An Act to incorporate the Crow's Nest and Tent Mountain Railway Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time tomorrow, Thursday.

Ordered, That Mr. Cote have leave to introduce Bill No. 4, An Act to Amend the Act incorporating the Central Canada Railway Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time tomorrow, Thursday.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 1, An Act to incorporate The Alberta Guarantee & Fidelity Co.,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time and

Ordered, To be referred to the Committee on Miscellaneous and Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 2, An Act to Amend the Act incorporating the Brule Lake Railway Company, as amended by Chapter 35 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1915,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and

Ordered, To be referred to the Committee on Railways.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 3, An Act to incorporate the Imperial Security Assurance Company,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and

Ordered, To be referred to the Committee on Miscellaneous and Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 6, An Act to Amend the Edmonton City Charter, and to validate and confirm certain By-laws of the City of Edmonton,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and

Ordered, To be referred to the Committee on Municipal Law.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 5, An Act to Amend Chapter 31 of the Statutes of 1911-12, being An Act to incorporate the Athabasca Valley Railway Company,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and  
Ordered, To be referred to the Committee on Railways.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 7, An Act to Amend the Acts and Ordinances Constituting the Charter of the City of Calgary, and to validate certain By-laws of the said City,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and  
Ordered, To be referred to the Committee on Municipal Law.

Ordered, That the House return to the Order of the Day, (Government Motions)

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Sifton, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Mitchell:

That Mr. G. P. Smith be appointed Deputy Speaker for this Session.

The motion was agreed to.

The House adjourned at 3.30 o'clock, to Thursday at 3 o'clock.

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### THURSDAY, MARCH 1, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 3 o'clock.

Hon. Mr. Mitchell, a Member of the Executive Council, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, laid on the Table of the House the Public Accounts of the Province of Alberta for the year ending December 31st, 1916.

*(Sessional Paper No. 25.)*

Hon. Mr. Sifton laid on the Table of the House a Return to an Order of the House, dated February 22nd, 1917, re Payments to the Alberta and Great Waterways Railway Company on account of Edmonton terminals.

*(Sessional Paper No. 26.)*

Hon. Mr. Marshall laid on the Table of the House a Return to an Order of the House, dated February 28th, 1917, re Pure Bred Shorthorns for Demonstration Farms.

*(Sessional Paper No. 27.)*

Mr. Crawford asked the Government the following questions, of which he had given notice, and which were answered by the Hon. Mr. Stewart:

1. Q. Are all records such as weekly or daily time sheets of foremen, in connection with work carried out under the Public Works Department of the Province, permanently retained?

A. Yes.

2. Q. If not, for what period are such records retained?

A. All been kept so far.

Mr. Crawford asked the Government the following questions, of which he had given notice, and which were answered by the Hon. Mr. Sifton:

1. Q. The number of Automobiles purchased each year to date, for use of the Telephone Department, showing from whom purchased, and purchase price of each car?

A. Year	Number	Purchased from	Price
1912	1	Manuel Garage.....	\$ 975.00
	1	McLaughlin Garage.....	1,250.00
	1	W. B. Young.....	650.00
1913	1	A. P. MacKenzie.....	2,500.00
	1 (Truck)	Southern Motors Co..	1,415.81
1914	1	Freeman Co., Ltd.....	2,250.00
1915	1	McLaughlin Garage.....	1,250.00
	1	Ford Motor Co.....	665.00
	1	McLaughlin Garage.....	1,250.00

2. Q. The cost of upkeep of cars each year to date?

3. Q. The cost of oil and gasoline used for said cars each year to date?

*Note.*—Questions 2 and 3 cannot be answered separately, one account only being kept on the books of the Telephone Department, for Operation and Maintenance of Motor Cars.

A. 1912.....	\$ 463.15
1913.....	1,792.95
1914.....	1,931.28
1915.....	4,320.50
1916.....	4,178.49

Mr. Ewing asked the Government the following questions, of which he had given notice, and which were answered by the Hon. Mr. Sifton:

1. Q. What is the total amount of the bonds executed under the authorization contained in Chapter 19 of the Statutes of 1911-12 in respect of the Onoway Branch, being No. 4 of the Schedule?

A. 100 miles at \$20,000—\$2,000,000.

2. Q. What is the total amount of bonds sold in respect of the said branch and the date of such sale or sales?

A. Balance of \$1,946,500 unsold out of entire Canadian Northern Western issue of \$8,370,500.

3. Q. What is the total amount paid out to the Company in respect of the said Branch and the total amount now in the bank in respect thereof?

A. \$1,118,448.00.

4. Q. What is the total amount of—

(a) Grade constructed?

(b) Steel laid?

In each year since and including 1913?

A.	1913	1914	1915	1916	Total
Grade..	73.9	(Bridging)			73.9
Steel...	32.3		1.55		33.85

5. Q. What information has the Government regarding the time when the said Branch will be completed to Grande Prairie?

A. No information available.

6. Q. What steps, if any, have the Government taken to compel the Railway to construct the said line within the time limited by law?

A. This would necessitate legislative action.

Mr. Patterson (Macleod) asked the Government the following questions, of which he had given notice, and which were answered by the Hon. Mr. Mitchell:

1. Q. What amount of money has been paid for printing during the year 1916—

(a) To the Lethbridge Herald?

(b) To the Edmonton Bulletin?

(c) To the Morning Albertan?

A. (a), (b) and (c) answered in a previous return.

2. Q. What amount has been paid the Morning Albertan for printing the last issue of the Telephone Directory?

A. \$7,296.50.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Mitchell, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Sifton:

That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, and that the House go into Committee of the Whole to consider a Resolution for an Act to provide for the issue of Certificates of the Province payable on demand.

The Hon. Mr. Mitchell, a Member of the Executive Council, then stated to the House that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor having been informed of the subject matter of the motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The motion was agreed to.

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on a Resolution respecting the issue of Certificates of the Province payable on demand, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Smith reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution, and the same was read as follows:

Resolved, That—

It is expedient to introduce a Bill for an Act to provide for the issue of Certificates of the Province payable on demand.

Ordered, That the Resolution be now read a Second time.

The Resolution was accordingly read a Second time and agreed to.



Ordered, That Hon. Mr. Mitchell have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the issue of Certificates of the Province payable on demand."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 8, An Act to Amend the Lethbridge City Charter,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and

Ordered, To be referred to the Committee on Municipal Law.

The House adjourned at 3.30 o'clock to Friday at 3 o'clock.

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### FRIDAY, MARCH 2, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Glendenning, from the Miscellaneous and Private Bills Committee, presented the following report:

The Standing Committee on Miscellaneous and Private Bills, at a meeting called for 10.30 a.m., Friday, March 2nd, 1917, adjourned at 10.45 a.m., there being no quorum, to meet again at the call of the Chair.

Ordered, That the report be received and concurred in.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second Reading of Bill No. 10, An Act to Foster and Encourage Agricultural Development by Means of Standard Forms of Investment upon Farm Mortgages and the Equalization of Rates of Interest,

A debate followed.

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to Committee of the Whole on Monday next.

The Hon. Mr. Mitchell, a Member of the Executive Council, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, laid on the Table of the House Literature respecting Rural Credits.

*(Sessional Paper No. 28.)*

The House adjourned at 5.30 o'clock to Monday at 4 o'clock.

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### MONDAY, MARCH 5, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 4 o'clock.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Cross have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "The Wills Act."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Cross have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "The Factory Act."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Cross have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act relating to Dower."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Thursday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 21, An Act respecting Co-operative Credit,

A debate followed.

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to Committee of the Whole to-morrow, Tuesday.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 14, An Act respecting the Police Force of the Province of Alberta,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to Committee of the Whole, to-morrow, Tuesday.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 16, An Act to amend The Succession Duties Act,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to Committee of the Whole to-morrow, Tuesday.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 13, An Act to amend The Drainage Act,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to Committee of the Whole to-morrow, Tuesday.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 4, An Act respecting the Central Canada Railway Company,

A debate followed.

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and

Ordered, To be referred to the Committee on Railways.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 15, An Act to incorporate the Farmers' Fire and Hail Company,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and Ordered, To be referred to the Committee on Miscellaneous and Private Bills.

The House adjourned at 5.45 o'clock to Tuesday at 3 o'clock.

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TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 3 o'clock.

The Hon. Mr. Stewart, a Member of the Executive Council, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, laid on the Table of the House the General Report covering the construction of the Elevators of the Alberta Farmers' Co-operative Elevator Company, Limited, for the year 1916.

*(Sessional Paper No. 29.)*

The Hon. Mr. Sifton, a Member of the Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, signed by His Honour Robert George Brett, Lieutenant Governor:

"The Lieutenant Governor transmits supplementary estimates of certain sums required for the service of the Province for the twelve months ending December 31st, 1916, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

"Government House,

Edmonton, March 6th, 1917."

Mr. Speaker read the message to the House (the members standing and being uncovered).

Ordered, That the message of His Honour with the Estimates be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The Hon. Mr. Sifton, a Member of the Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, signed by His Honour Robert George Brett, Lieutenant Governor:

"The Lieutenant Governor transmits estimates of certain sums required for the service of the Province for the twelve months ending December 31st, 1917, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

"Government House,

Edmonton, March 6th, 1917."

Mr. Speaker read the message to the House (the members standing and being uncovered).

Ordered, That the message of His Honour with the Estimates be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The Hon. Mr. Sifton, a Member of the Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, signed by His Honour Robert George Brett, Lieutenant Governor:

"The Lieutenant Governor transmits Estimates of the sum required for the service of the Province from the 1st day of January, 1918, up to the date of final passage of the Estimates for the fiscal year ending December 31st, 1918, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

"Government House,

Edmonton, March 6th, 1917."

Mr. Speaker read the message to the House (the members standing and being uncovered).

Ordered, That the message of His Honour with the Estimates be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Kemmis asked the Government the following questions, of which he had given notice, and which were answered by the Hon. Mr. Cross:

In regard to Dr. Strong, T. McKercher and David Bayne:

1. Q. Has Dr. Strong been in the employ of the Government since June 30th, 1916?

A. Yes.

2. Q. If so, in what capacity?

A. Deputy Chief Inspector.

3. Q. If more than one, give particulars?

A. In connection with records of doctors, druggists, etc.

4. Q. What moneys have been paid to him—

(a) On account of salary?

A. \$1,562.50.

(b) On account of expenses, with details?

A. Travelling and subsistence, \$151.15 from July 1st, 1916, to February 14th, 1917.

5. Q. For how many days was he employed in each and every position?

A. Continuously from July 1st, 1916, to February 14th, 1917.

Q. Re T. McKercher?

A. Not employed since June 30th, 1916, and no amounts paid to him.

Q. Re David Bayne?

A. Employed between September 29th to October 21st, 1916. No salary paid, but wages and expenses between those dates amounted to \$182.30.

Dr. Stanley asked the Government the following questions, of which he had given notice, and which were answered by the Hon. Mr. Cross:

1. Q. Has O. Jones been, or is he now, in the employ of this Government?

A. He was employed temporarily.

2. Q. If so, in what Department, and under what dates?



A. Attorney General's Department, February, March and April, 1914.

3. Q. What amounts were paid to him on account of salary?

A. Three cheques for \$150.00 each, for February, March and April, 1914.

Dr. Stanley asked the Government the following questions, of which he had given notice, and which were answered by the Hon. Mr. Cross:

1. Q. Number of boys, 18 years or under, released during 1916 on suspended sentences?

A. 12.

2. Q. Same in re. girls?

A. 2.

3. Q. How many in each of the above classes during the same period have recurred as offenders?

A. 1 boy.

4. Q. How many in each of above named classes have been committed during 1916 to—

(a) Jails?

(b) Reformatories?

A. (a) No record.

(b) Boys, 19.

Girls, 19.

Dr. Stanley asked the Government the following questions, of which he had given notice, and which were answered by the Hon. Mr. Cross:

1. Q. How many murders were reported during 1916?

A. 11.

2. Q. How many persons were committed for trial under indictment for murder during above period?

A. 11.

3. Q. How many persons were convicted of such crime for same period?

A. 2.

Mr. Hillocks asked the Government the following questions, of which he had given notice, and which were answered by the Hon. Mr. Cross:

1. Q. When did Mr. Deyl cease to be an employee of this Government?

A. February 28th, 1917.

2. Q. Was he dismissed, or was he requested to resign for cause?

A. Resigned.

3. Q. What was the cause?

A. Ill-health.

Mr. Hillocks asked the Government the following questions, of which he had given notice, and which were answered by the Hon. Mr. Sifton:

1. Q. Is the tariff of freight rates over the E. D. & B. C. and A. & G. W. Railways now under the jurisdiction of the Board of Railway Commissioners for Canada?

A. The freight tariffs of the E. D. & B. C. Railway are under the jurisdiction of the Board of Railway Commissioners of Canada. The A. & G. W. Railway tariffs are under the jurisdiction of the Board of Public Utilities of the Province of Alberta.

2. Q. If so, on what date was the same brought under such jurisdiction?

A. The following dates cover operating orders of the E. D. & B. C. Railway by the Board of Railway Commissioners:

From mile 0 to mile 277, March 27th, 1915, Board of Railway Commissioners Order No. 23458.

From mile 277 to mile 287, April 8th, 1915, Order No. 23488.

From mile 287 to mile 357, July 3rd, 1916, Order No. 25120.

From Grande Prairie Branch, July 24th, 1915, Order No. 25178.

The A. & G. W. was formally opened for traffic under the approval of the Board of Public Utilities on February 1st, 1917.

3. Q. The same questions as to Tariff of Passenger rates?

A. The Passenger tariffs have the approval of the Board of Railway Commissioners, and have been published in the Official Gazette.

Mr. Crawford asked the Government the following questions, of which he had given notice, and which were answered by the Hon. Mr. Sifton:

1. Q. The amount of construction on the Lacombe and Blindman Valley Railway to date?

A. 35 miles of grade.

2. Q. What is the total amount paid to the Lacombe and Blindman Valley Railway Company out of the moneys received in respect of the guarantee of the Province?

A. \$128,647.07.

3. Q. What sums have been paid by the Province to date, by reason of default of said Company in payment of interest on said bonds, and on what dates were such amounts paid?

A. April 21st, 1915..... \$6,842.50

October 21st, 1915..... 6,820.00

November 6th, 1916..... 6,854.66

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\$20,517.16

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Moved by Mr. Kemmis, seconded by Mr. Hoadley:

That an Order of the House do issue for a Return showing:

All returns and reports made by the Game Guardians employed in the administration of the Prairie Fires Ordinance and Game Act, from May 1st, 1916, to the present date.

The motion was agreed to.

Moved by Dr. Stanley, seconded by Mr. R. Patterson:

That an Order of the House do issue for a Return showing:

1. Number of warrants issued during 1916 for arrest of persons fleeing the country.

2. Number of persons arrested under authority of such warrants.

3. Number of cases in which extradition proceedings were taken.

4. Number of cases in which extradition was accomplished.

5. Number of cases in which extradition proceedings were refused.

6. Number of cases in which complainants were required to give bonds to indemnify Government against loss through failure to extradite.

7. Number of cases and nature of same, in which bonds were not required.

8. Number of cases and nature of same, in which such bonds were forfeited to cover loss.

The motion was agreed to.

Moved by Mr. Hillocks, seconded by Mr. Kemmis:

That an Order of the House do issue for a Return showing:

All letters and documents in re the proposed Amalgamation of the Alberta Co-operative Elevator Company with the Grain Grower's Grain Company, Limited, of Manitoba.

Showing also, the same as above, in re the Saskatchewan Co-operative Elevator Company.

The motion was agreed to.

Moved by Mr. Hillocks, seconded by Mr. Kemmis:

That an Order of the House do issue for a Return showing:

In re Lethbridge and Fort Saskatchewan Gaols during 1916:

1. Number of prisoners employed other than on Gaol property.

2. Nature and amount of such work and revenue derived from same.

3. Total of amounts paid to such prisoners for such work.

The motion was agreed to.

Moved by Mr. Weidenhammer, seconded by Mr. Hillocks:

That an Order of the House do issue for a Return showing:

Total number of Live Stock, giving kind and classification, on each Demonstration Farm for each year of establishment to date.

Showing also, in terms of the above, the loss of Live Stock by death or otherwise.

The motion was agreed to.

Moved by Mr. Kemmis, seconded by Dr. Stanley:

That an Order of the House do issue for a Return showing:

Value of agricultural products, increase of live stock, manufactures and commercial products during 1916 in connection with the following institutions:

- (a) Hospital for Insane at Ponoka,
- (b) Provincial Gaol at Lethbridge,
- (c) Provincial Gaol at Fort Saskatchewan,

Showing also, in each case, the percentage in value of such products to the cost of maintenance for the same period.

The motion was agreed to.

Moved by Mr. Hoadley, seconded by Mr. R. Patterson:

That an Order of the House do issue for a Return showing: Proceedings taken under The Liquor Act by Officials of the Government, and withdrawn upon advice or by order of the Attorney General's Department, with tabulated statement of reasons for such withdrawal.

The motion was agreed to.

Moved by Mr. Archer, seconded by Mr. Weidenhammer:

That an Order of the House do issue for a Return showing: All reports and plans made by Government Engineers relating to the Drainage of the Penhold and Wavy Lake flats, in Townships 36 and 37, Ranges 27 and 28, west of the 4th.

The motion was agreed to.

Moved by Mr. Archer, seconded by Mr. R. Patterson:

That an Order of the House do issue for a Return showing: All recommendations, reports and pay rolls made by Inspectors or others for work on the Main Road from Medicine River to Raven in Township 36, Ranges 2 and 3, west of the 5th, in 1916.

The motion was agreed to.

Moved by Mr. Archer, seconded by Mr. Hoadley:

That an Order of the House do issue for a Return showing: All reports and plans made by Government Engineers relating to the Drainage of the Aberdeen District in Township 35, Ranges 27 and 28, west of the 4th.

The motion was agreed to.

Moved by Dr. Stanley, seconded by Mr. Hillocks:

That an Order of the House do issue for a Return showing: All letters and documents between the Federal Government and this Government in any way relating to The Liquor Act, and to the enforcement of The Liquor Act.

The motion was agreed to.

Moved by Mr. Crawford, seconded by Mr. Hillocks:

That the House do refer to the Committee on Public Accounts all matters in any way relating to the construction, maintenance and operation of the telephone system of the Province.

The motion was agreed to.



The Hon. Mr. Cross, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table of the House a Return to an Order of the House of this date re Warrants issued and extradition proceedings, etc.  
(*Sessional Paper No. 30.*)

The Hon. Mr. Cross, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table of the House a Return to an Order of the House of this date re proceedings taken under The Liquor Act by Officials of the Government.  
(*Sessional Paper No. 31.*)

The Hon. Mr. Cross, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table of the House a Return to an Order of the House of this date re all letters and documents between the Federal Government and this Government in any way relating to The Liquor Act, and to the enforcement of The Liquor Act.  
(*Sessional Paper No. 32.*)

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Mitchell, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Sifton:

That the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and that this House do immediately resolve itself into Committee of Supply to consider of the Supply to be Granted to His Majesty.

A debate followed.

Mr. Michener moved the adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Sifton have leave to introduce a Bill, intituled "An Act to provide for the Representation in Legislature of Alberta of Soldiers and Nurses in the present War."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Monday next.

The Hon. Mr. Sifton, a Member of the Executive Council, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, laid on the Table of the House the Annual Report of the Department of Railways and Telephones, from January 1st to December 31st, 1916.  
(*Sessional Paper No. 33.*)

The House adjourned at 5.15 o'clock to Wednesday at 3 o'clock.

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### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 3 o'clock.

Continued debate on the motion:

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Mitchell, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Sifton:

That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, and that this House do immediately resolve itself into Committee of Supply to consider of the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.

The debate continued.

The Hon. Mr. Sifton moved the adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

The House adjourned at 6 o'clock to Thursday at 3 o'clock.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 8, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 3 O'clock.

Moved by Dr. Stanley, seconded by Mr. Hillocks:

That an Order of the House do issue for a Return showing:

1. Names of School Inspectors employed by the Department of Education.
2. The date on which each entered such employment.
3. The boundaries of each Inspector's district.
4. The name of University or College from which each Inspector graduated, with character of his degree.

The motion was agreed to.

Continued debate on the motion:

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Mitchell, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Sifton:

That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, and that this House do immediately resolve itself into Committee of Supply to consider of the supply to be granted to His Majesty.

The debate continued.

Mr. R. Patterson moved the adjournment of the debate which was agreed to.

The House adjourned at 5.50 o'clock to Friday at 3 o'clock.

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FRIDAY, MARCH 9, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Glendenning, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous and Private Bills, presented the following report:

The Standing Committee on Miscellaneous and Private Bills has fully considered Bill No. 1, An Act to incorporate The Alberta Guarantee and Fidelity Company, and begs to report the same with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the report be received and concurred in.

Mr. Cote, from the Standing Committee on Railways, presented the following report:

The Standing Committee on Railways begs to report as follows:

That with respect to Bill No. 4, An Act respecting the Central Canada Railway Company,

The Committee beg to report the same with certain amendments.

That with respect to Bill No. 5, An Act to amend Chapter 31 of the Statutes of 1911-12, being an Act to incorporate the Athabasca Railway Company,

The Committee beg to report the same.

Ordered, That the report be received and concurred in.

Continued debate on the motion:

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Mitchell, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Sifton:

That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, and that this House do immediately resolve itself into Committee of Supply to consider of the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.

The debate continued.

The motion being again put, Mr. Speaker declared the motion carried.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

#### (HOUSE IN COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY.)

The House accordingly resolved itself into Committee of Supply, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Smith reported that some progress had been made, and asked for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the report be now received and that the Committee have leave to sit again on Monday next.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Sifton have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for Protection of Electrical Workers."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Wednesday next.

The House adjourned at 6.10 o'clock to Monday at 4 o'clock.

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#### MONDAY, MARCH 12, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 4 o'clock.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 23, "The Municipal Hospitals Act,"

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to Committee of the Whole to-morrow, Tuesday.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 31, An Act to amend The Public Works Act,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to Committee of the Whole to-morrow, Tuesday.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 32, An Act to amend The Private Ditches Act,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to Committee of the Whole to-morrow, Tuesday.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 9, An Act to incorporate The Crow's Nest and Tent Mountain Railway Company,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and

Ordered, To be referred to the Committee on Railways.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Marshall have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act to Amend the Act respecting Seed Grain, Fodder and Other Relief."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Friday next.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Marshall have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act to Amend The Game Act, being Chapter 14 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1907, as amended."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Friday next.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Gariepy have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act to give to all Cities, Towns and Villages the right to license, regulate and control all houses of public accommodation."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Thursday next.

Hon. Mr. Stewart, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table of the House, a Return to an Order of the House, dated March 6th, 1917, respecting Reports by Inspectors for work on Main Road from Medicine River to Raven in 1916.  
(*Sessional Paper No. 34.*)

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of Supply.



## (HOUSE IN COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY.)

And after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported that some further progress had been made, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and that the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow (Tuesday).

The House adjourned at 5.30 o'clock to Tuesday at 3 o'clock.

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TUESDAY, MARCH 13, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 3 o'clock.

Hon. Mr. Stewart, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table of the House a Return to an Order of the House, dated March 6th, 1917, showing all letters and documents in re the proposed Amalgamation of the Alberta Co-operative Elevator Company with the Grain Growers' Grain Company, Limited, of Manitoba, also the Saskatchewan Co-operative Elevator Company. (*Sessional Paper No. 35.*)

Hon. Mr. Stewart, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table of the House a Return to an Order of the House, dated March 6th, 1917, re Drainage of the Aberdeen District, in Township 35, Ranges 27 and 28, west of the 4th. (*Sessional Paper No. 36.*)

Hon. Mr. Stewart, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table of the House a Return to an Order of the House, dated March 6th, 1917, re Drainage of the Penhold and Wavy Lake Flats, in Townships 36 and 37, Ranges 27 and 28, west of the 4th. (*Sessional Paper No. 37.*)

Mr. Archer asked the Government the following questions, of which he had given notice, and which were answered by the Hon. Mr. Gariepy:

1. Q. How much of the arrears due under the Wild Lands Tax levy on 1st January, 1916, has been collected?

A. \$139,330.12.

2. Q. How much has been rebated?

A. None.

3. Q. What is the balance still unpaid?

A. \$415,250.19.

Mr. Archer asked the Government the following questions, of which he had given notice, and which were answered by the Hon. Mr. Gariepy:

1. Q. How many acres of land were assessed under The Wild Lands Tax Act in the year 1916?

A. 8,090,934 acres.

2. Q. What was the total amount of the tax levied in 1916?

A. \$681,402.50.

3. Q. How much of that amount has been collected up to the 1st of February, 1917?

A. \$203,774.07.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 28, An Act to encourage the Increased Raising of Live Stock in the Province of Alberta,

A debate followed.

The motion being again put, it was agreed to.

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to Committee of the Whole to-morrow (Wednesday).

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 29, An Act respecting Advances for the purchase of Seed Grain, and the Securities for the repayment thereof,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to Committee of the Whole to-morrow (Wednesday).

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 38, An Act to provide for the Representation of Alberta's Soldiers and Nurses in the present War,

A debate followed.

The motion being again put, it was agreed to.

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to Committee of the Whole to-morrow (Wednesday).

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY.)

And after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported that some further progress had been made, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow (Wednesday).

The House adjourned at 6 o'clock to Wednesday at 3 o'clock.

## WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 3 o'clock.

Hon. Mr. McLean, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table of the House a Return to an Order of the House, dated March 6th, 1917, re Prisoners in Lethbridge and Fort Saskatchewan Gaols. *(Sessional Paper No. 38.)*

Hon. Mr. McLean, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table of the House a Return to an Order of the House, dated March 6th, 1917, re Agricultural Products, Live Stock, etc., at Hospital for Insane, Lethbridge Gaol and Fort Saskatchewan Gaol. *(Sessional Paper No. 39.)*

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY.)

And after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Smith reported that some further progress had been made and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the report be now received and the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow (Thursday).

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Sifton, seconded by Mr. Tweedie: That this House desires to express its deep regret at the news of the decease of Her Royal Highness the Duchess of Connaught and directs that the Clerk of the House do draft and have engrossed a Resolution to this effect and convey the same to His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught.

The motion was unanimously agreed to.

The House adjourned at 6 o'clock to Thursday at 3 o'clock.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 15, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 3 o'clock.

Hon. Mr. McLean, a Member of the Executive Council, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, laid on the Table of the House the Annual Report of the Provincial Secretary for the year ended 31st December, 1916.

*(Sessional Paper No. 40.)*

Hon. Mr. Sifton, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table of the House a Return to an Order of the House, dated 20th of February, 1917, re Persons who have done Telephone Contracting for the Government.

*(Sessional Paper No. 41.)*

Hon. Mr. Sifton, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table of the House a Return to an Order of the House, dated 20th of February, 1917, re Moneys paid to the Albertan and Bulletin Publishing Companies through the Telephone Department during 1915 and 1916.

(*Sessional Paper No. 42.*)

Mr. Glendenning, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous and Private Bills, presented the following report:

The Standing Committee on Miscellaneous and Private Bills begs to report as follows:

That in the opinion of this Committee it is desirable that a Model Insurance Bill for the incorporation of Insurance Companies be prepared.

Ordered, That the report be received and concurred in.

Mr. Cote, from the Standing Committee on Railways, presented the following report:

The Standing Committee on Railways begs to report as follows:

The Committee has fully considered Bill No. 2, "An Act to Amend the Act incorporating the Brule Lake Railway Company, as amended by Chapter 35 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1915," and begs to report the same with certain amendments.

The Committee has fully considered Bill No. 9, "An Act to incorporate The Crow's Nest and Tent Mountain Railway Company," and begs to report the same with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the report be received and concurred in.

Acting upon instructions passed by the House on Wednesday last, the Clerk of the House read the letter of condolence which he had drafted, addressed to His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught, as follows:

"Government Buildings,  
Edmonton, Alberta, March 15th, 1917.

"TO HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS PRINCE ARTHUR,  
DUKE OF CONNAUGHT, etc., etc.,  
London, England.

"Your Royal Highness:

"The Legislative Assembly of the Province of Alberta, in Annual Session now assembled, instruct me to convey to you their expression of deep regret at the sad news just received of the passing away of your beloved wife, Her Royal Highness the Duchess of Connaught.

"The departed lady, while resident in Canada, by her deep interest in many matters concerning the welfare and happiness of the people of this Dominion, and in particular her example, leadership and wise counsel as the head of the Canadian Red Cross Society, endeared herself to all, and rendered valuable help in patriotic and self-sacrificing endeavour.



"The Members of this Assembly, in sending you this expression of their deep sympathy and profound regret, would also desire to express the belief that the memory of Her Royal Highness will long survive in the high appreciation of her valuable work in many a noble cause. In the dark hours of your deep trial and sore bereavement, words are but feeble efforts to convey our deep feeling of condolence, but it may be some consolation to know that others are feeling deeply for you and with you, and also with the Princess Patricia, greatly beloved by all of us, and with the other members of your family.

"The united prayers of the Members of this House are that Your Royal Highness may receive from the Divine Source of all consolation such comfort and strength as will enable you to bear up under your heavy affliction.

"I have the honour to be, Your Royal Highness,

Your humble and obedient servant,

(Sgd.) JOHN R. COWELL,

Clerk of the House."

The House agreed to the communication by a unanimous Standing Vote.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Sifton, seconded by Mr. Tweedie:

Ordered, That the letter of condolence be recorded upon the Journals of the House.

Mr. Hoadley asked the Government the following questions, of which he had given notice, and which were answered by the Hon. Mr. Marshall.

1. Q. What was the total amount of money granted by the Federal Government during 1916, on account of Agricultural Fairs?

A. Field Crop Competition..... \$2,756.68

Seed Grain Fairs..... 1,703.89

2. Q. What was the total amount of financial assistance given by the Federal Government during 1916 to the Department of Agriculture of this Government on behalf of Demonstration Farms and Agricultural Schools?

A. \$41,700.00.

3. Q. What was the total grant of the Federal Government during 1916 for all Agricultural purposes in this Province?

A. \$66,207.80.

Dr. Stanley asked the Government the following questions, of which he had given notice, and which were answered by the Hon. Mr. Stewart:

1. Q. What progress has been made in boring wells, both water and gas, at the Hospital for the Insane at Ponoka?

A. Water-well down to a depth of 300 feet, water obtained and in use. Gas-well down to a depth of 2,351 feet. Small flow of gas obtained at 2,250 feet, but not sufficient for our requirements.

2. Q. Who has been in charge of such operations?

A. A. S. Cochran.

3. Q. Have any sums of money been paid to Kurt Wageman in any way on account of this work since March, 1916?

A. No.

4. Q. If so, what are the particulars?

A. See answer to question 3.

5. Q. The same as 3 and 4 in re The North American Development Company.

A. No sum of money has been paid to the North American Development Company since March, 1916, on account of this work.

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY.)

And after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported that some further progress had been made, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow (Friday).

The House adjourned at 6 o'clock to Friday at 3 o'clock.

FRIDAY, MARCH 16, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 3 o'clock.

Hon. Mr. Gariepy, a Member of the Executive Council, by command of His Honour, the Lieutenant Governor, laid on the Table of the House the Report of the Department of Municipal Affairs of the Province of Alberta for the year ended 31st December, 1916.

(*Sessional Paper No. 43.*)

The following petition was presented:

By Dr. Stanley: Of the High River and Hudson Bay Railway Company, for an Act to Amend the Act incorporating said Railway Company.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Boyle have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act to Amend The School Ordinance and The School Assessment Ordinance."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 30, "An Act to Amend an Act to incorporate the Alberta Farmers' Co-operative Elevator Company,"

A debate followed.

The motion being again put, it was agreed to.

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and  
Ordered, To be committed to Committee of the Whole on  
Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading  
of Bill No. 35, An Act respecting Wills,

A debate followed.

The motion being again put, it was agreed to.

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and  
Ordered, To be committed to Committee of the Whole on  
Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading  
of Bill No. 40, An Act to amend the Act respecting Seed Grain,  
Fodder and other Relief,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to Committee of the Whole on  
Monday next.

Moved by Mr. Ewing, seconded by Mr. Hillocks:

That all matters connected with the administration and  
conduct of the Land Titles Office at Edmonton and Calgary  
be referred to the Public Accounts Committee.

The motion was agreed to.

The House according to Order resolved itself into Com-  
mittee of Supply.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY.)

And after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the  
Chair and Mr. Smith reported that some progress had been  
made, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the report be received, and that the Com-  
mittee have leave to sit again on Monday next.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Cross have leave to introduce  
a Bill intituled "An Act to Amend the Statute Law."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was  
received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Wednesday  
next.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Gariepy have leave to introduce  
a Bill intituled "An Act to Amend The Municipal Co-operative  
Hail Insurance Act."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was  
received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Thursday  
next.

Mr. McNaughton, Chairman of the Public Accounts Committee moved:

That the Public Accounts Committee have leave to sit to-morrow (Saturday).

The motion was agreed to.

The Hon. Mr. Mitchell laid on the Table of the House a list of the Civil Servants who have enlisted for Active Service Overseas.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Mitchell, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Sifton:

That the list of Civil Servants who have enlisted for Active Service Overseas be recorded upon the Journals of the House.

The motion was agreed to.

### PROVINCE OF ALBERTA.

#### LIST OF CIVIL SERVANTS WHO HAVE ENLISTED FOR ACTIVE SERVICE OVERSEAS.

##### *Office of Clerk of the House.*

Buckley, Roy, 31st Battalion. (Later transferred to 24th Manchesters, and killed.)

##### *Public Works Department.*

##### INSIDE STAFF:

Garvin, C. O., Clerk, Accountant's Branch.  
 Pierce, S. J., Clerk, Accountant's Branch.  
 Solway, W. C., Clerk, Accountant's Branch.  
 Turton, W. H., Clerk, Accountant's Branch.  
 Brown, P. McL., Clerk, Highways Branch.  
 Lunn, H. A., Clerk, Highways Branch.  
 Seward, A. E., Clerk, Highways Branch.  
 Batters, G. S., Draughtsman, Surveys Branch.  
 Jones, J. E., Draughtsman, Surveys Branch.  
 Leighton, A. F., Draughtsman, Surveys Branch.  
 Markes, A. E., Clerk, Surveys Branch.  
 Robertson, E. D., District Surveyor and Engineer.  
 Ross, H. O., Clerk, Surveys Branch.  
 Stewart, A. G., District Surveyor and Engineer.  
 Woods, S. B., Clerk, Correspondence Branch.  
 Blakey, R. P., Provincial Architect.  
 McNicoll, D. J., Draughtsman, Architectural Branch.

##### MISCELLANEOUS:

Allan, Adam, Assistant Janitor, Normal School, Calgary.  
 Armstrong, R., Gardener, Parliament Buildings.  
 Baird, Harry, Guard, Parliament Buildings.  
 Calder, H. J., Chauffeur, Calgary.  
 Cross, Geo., Chauffeur, Calgary.  
 Cawsey, J. S., Guard, Parliament Buildings.



Coulson, R., Guard, Parliament Buildings.  
 Duggan, John, Janitor, Agricultural School, Claresholm.  
 Duncan, W., Blacksmith's Helper, Edmonton.  
 Dawe, W., Gardener, Parliament Buildings.  
 Fraser, James, Guard, Parliament Buildings.  
 Fage, Joseph, Elevator Man, Parliament Buildings.  
 Gray, Thomas, Guard, Parliament Buildings.  
 Girvan, J., Guard, Parliament Buildings.  
 Hollingsworth, E., Guard, Parliament Buildings.  
 Jones, Caleb, Caretaker, Court House, Calgary.  
 Kinsman, J., Blacksmith's Helper, Edmonton.  
 Laidlaw, James, Guard, Parliament Buildings.  
 Munro, W., Caretaker, Parliament Buildings.  
 McLean, N., Blacksmith, Edmonton.  
 McGee, W., Janitor, Normal School, Calgary.  
 McKay, Hugh, Building Foreman.  
 Napper, T., Gardener, Parliament Buildings.  
 Richardson, J., Guard, Parliament Buildings.  
 Ross, J., Guard, Parliament Buildings.  
 Todd, R., Caretaker, Parliament Buildings.  
 Urquhart, D., Head Gardener, Parliament Buildings.  
 Winters, J., Caretaker, Parliament Buildings.  
 Watson, James, Fireman, Power Plant, Parliament Buildings.  
 Williams, G., Gardener, Parliament Buildings.  
 Craig, Thos., Teamster, Edmonton.  
 Seccombe, H., Timekeeper, Fort Saskatchewan.  
 Tucker, Arthur, Surveys Branch, Calgary.

*Municipal Affairs Department.*

Cecil G. Goldberger.....	Enlisted	August 18, 1914.
J. F. E. Carman.....	"	January, 1915.
Douglas B. Mail.....	"	January, 1915.
(Later discharged.)		
Cuthbert W. Sievwright .	"	July, 1915.
George Allen Mail.....	"	December 11, 1915.
Gilbert L. Armstrong....	"	December 11, 1915.
Henry Esplin.....	"	February 5, 1916.
(Later discharged.)		
Pierre E. Guay.....	"	April 13, 1916.
Leo Savard.....	"	April 13, 1916.
Angus Currie.....	"	August 18, 1916.
John M. Atkins.....	"	August 18, 1916.
John W. Morton.....	"	August 18, 1916.
Ronald G. Andrews.....	"	January 8, 1917.

*Department of the Attorney General.*

GENERAL OFFICE, BUILDINGS:

William R. Lister.  
 Arthur J. Hanks.  
 George P. O. Fenwick.

Alvin H. McLachlan.  
 Allan R. Buddo.  
 George W. Ward.  
 H. P. Rocks.  
 H. N. Foxwell.  
 J. B. Lindsay.

## COURT HOUSE, EDMONTON:

*Sheriff's Office—*

William Thomas.....49th Battalion.  
 William Irwin.....49th Battalion.  
 W. Marshall.....51st Battalion.  
 Stanley Bawden.....Engineers.  
 Frank Doherty.....138th Battalion.  
 John Hawksworth.....Guard Internment Camp.

*District Court Office—*

George Asquith, enlisted with C.M.R. (Returned wounded.)  
 H. T. Sullivan, on active service with University Corps.

## LAND TITLES OFFICE, EDMONTON:

W. J. Hanley.  
 W. McGinnis.  
 F. H. Wright.  
 F. Sommerville.  
 F. McKenney.  
 F. MacFee.  
 F. D. Shanks.  
 W. Hetherington.  
 F. C. Gomer.  
 W. J. Pirie.  
 F. Doherty.  
 N. LaLiberte.  
 G. S. Gee.  
 Ed. Brissette.  
 L. Blain.  
 C. Dawes.  
 A. E. Kidd.  
 Austin C. Beck.  
 C. Beck.  
 H. J. Toban.  
 Ed. McDonald.  
 Geo. H. Calvert.  
 Arthur Diamond. (Returned.)

## COURT HOUSE, STETTLE:

A. G. Clowes.

## COURT HOUSE, MEDICINE HAT:

Herbert Howell Evans.

## COURT HOUSE, MACLEOD:

W. C. Bryan.  
 S. Heap.

## LAND TITLES OFFICE, CALGARY:

Gordoh Page.

W. H. Latimer. (Returned, Reinstated and Resigned.)

G. E. M. Cashel.

A. J. Fortescue.

H. G. Exton.

C. A. Davis.

B. Pym.

C. A. Gee.

P. T. Cummins. (Missing.)

J. G. C. Adamson. (Killed.)

R. N. Genge.

S. W. Dugdale.

G. A. Scott.

A. E. Harrison. (Returned.)

## COURT HOUSE, CALGARY:

P. G. Toft.

R. B. Darley.

E. Yale Smith.

E. E. H. Greene.

John T. Whitaker.

George Blake.

D. C. F. McArthur.

T. H. Laub.

D. McColl Mardie.

C. D. Jenkyn.

P. H. Allen.

Caleb Jones.

## COURT HOUSE, RED DEER:

Charles J. Rutter.

*Department of Agriculture.*

W. D. Turner.....December, 1914.

A. A. Davidson.....April, 1916.

Dr. W. C. Laidlaw.....December, 1915.

Dr. Rankin.....August, 1914.

C. H. Pinnell.....November, 1915.

Dr. V. E. Barrow.....April, 1916.

*Provincial Secretary's Department.*

## PROVINCIAL GAOL, FORT SASKATCHEWAN:

A. Todd.....December 31, 1914.

C. R. Monckton.....November 9, 1914.

P. Moon.....August 8, 1914.

P. R. Howell.....November 30, 1915.

F. V. G. McGillicuddy.....July 17, 1915.

W. L. Shera.....December 1, 1915.

J. A. Allan.....November 11, 1915.

H. C. Monckton.....March 31, 1915.

C. A. Martin.....	August 31, 1915.
W. Hutton.....	November 30, 1915.
F. W. Moon.....	February 14, 1916.
W. H. Holmes.....	November 9, 1916.
P. Egan.....	May 31, 1916.
E. Grittner.....	December 15, 1916.
A. Smith.....	November 30, 1916.

## PROVINCIAL GAOL, LETHBRIDGE:

S. M. Graham.....	August 10, 1914.
R. Kewley.....	August 11, 1914.
J. C. Bird.....	February 2, 1915.
G. Freed.....	January 15, 1916.
B. E. Rogers.....	March 15, 1916.

## POWER HOUSE (Dept. of Public Works):

G. H. Muir.....	January 6, 1916.
F. J. Adamson.....	April 8, 1916.

## PONOKA ASYLUM:

John McNagton.....	February 9, 1915.
William Grant.....	May 31, 1915.
Edwin G. Thorne.....	June 16, 1915.
Robert Sharpe.....	July 10, 1915.
Cecil Snider.....	December 31, 1916.
Robert Johnston.....	January 31, 1916.
James L. Ross.....	February 26, 1916.
James Rigby.....	March 31, 1916.
Henry S. Barnes.....	April 4, 1916.
John Innes.....	April 5, 1916.
Alex. Robertson.....	April 6, 1916.

*Alberta Government Telephones.*

Baker, J. D.....	September, 1916.
Bateman, J. T.....	September, 1916.
Brown, L.....	April, 1916.
Bruce, Wm. C.....	July, 1915. (Military Medal.)
Budd, Wm. W.....	December, 1915. (Military Medal.)
Campbell, D.....	January, 1915.
Candy, L. E.....	March, 1915.
Christensen, M.....	January, 1915.
Collins, E. H.....	January, 1916.
Cook, J.....	September, 1915.
Crowley, W. S.....	July, 1915.
Ellender, J. C.....	July, 1915.
Fraser, P. C.....	August, 1914.
Forbes, A.....	February, 1916.
Graham, C.....	January, 1916.
Green, Wm.....	January, 1915.
Harper, R.....	January, 1915. (Military Medal.)
Hawley, R. H.....	August, 1914. (Killed.)
Haskell, S. J.....	January, 1915.
Horne, A. P.....	January, 1915.



Hood, C. V.	August, 1915. (Killed.)
Inglis, Wm.	February, 1916.
Ingram, J. S.	May, 1916.
Jamieson, Wm.	September, 1916.
Kelly, Wm.	July, 1915.
Lee, T.	June, 1915. (Killed.)
Mann, G. E.	March, 1916.
Mallinson, Wm.	September, 1915.
Mason, Wm.	March, 1916.
Martin, W. D.	January, 1915.
Mackie, W.	April, 1916.
Mackie, Wm. M.	December, 1915.
Melvin, J.	January, 1915.
Mitchell, J. B.	May, 1915.
Munro, N.	October, 1915.
Muter, R.	February, 1916.
McDonald, J. J.	September, 1915.
McGregor, J.	July, 1916.
McKnight, B.	August, 1914. (Killed.)
McLeod, A.	January, 1915. (Killed.)
McKay, Geo. A.	August, 1915.
McParland, A.	February, 1915.
Paterson, R. R.	September, 1916.
Redfern, H. M.	January, 1916.
Richards, J. S.	December, 1915.
Robertson, D.	November, 1915.
Rocke, G. V. H.	January, 1915.
Russ, Wm.	April, 1916.
Sharp, G. W.	August, 1914.
Sheriff, R. G.	April, 1916.
Shipbotham, C. R.	July, 1916.
Trettin, W. O.	January, 1917.
Topham, W. G.	March, 1916.
Tyler, W.	August, 1916.
White, Steve.	June, 1916.

*Department of Education.*

W. C. Belfrage	January, 1915.
S. R. Tompkins	July, 1915.
J. W. Fraser	February, 1916.
J. B. Hall	September, 1916.

*Office of Provincial Auditor.*

Geo. W. Sievwright	August, 1915. (Deceased.)
L. G. Taylor	April, 1916.
A. G. Fry	August, 1914. (Returned Oct. 10, 1916.)

*Office of King's Printer.*

Charles G. Flavin	February 1, 1916.
Clifford Fender	March 1, 1916.

Richard Benson.....August 15, 1916.  
Geoffrey Taylor.....March 6, 1916. (Discharged.)

The House adjourned at 6 o'clock to Monday at 3 o'clock.

MONDAY, MARCH 19, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 3 o'clock.

The following petition was presented:

By the Hon. Mr. Mitchell, for Mr. Pingle: Of the Red Deer Valley Railway Company, for an Act to incorporate above named Company.

The following petition was read and received:

For an Act to amend the Act incorporating the High River and Hudson Bay Railway Company.

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY.)

And after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Smith reported that some further progress had been made, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and that the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow (Tuesday).

The House adjourned at 6 o'clock to Tuesday at 3 o'clock.

TUESDAY, MARCH 20, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 3 o'clock.

The following petition was read and received:

For an Act to incorporate The Red Deer Valley Railway Company.

Mr. Puffer, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the following report:

The Standing Committee on Standing Orders begs to report as follows:

That with respect to the petition for "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the High River and Hudson Bay Railway Company" (Bill No. 45),

The Committee finds that the Rules of the House with regard to advertising and payment of fees have been fully complied with, and recommends that leave be granted to introduce said Bill.

The Committee further begs to report as follows:

That with respect to the petition for "An Act to incorporate the Red Deer Valley Railway Company" (Bill No. 48),

The Committee finds that the Rules of the House respecting payment of fees have been fully complied with, but that the Rules with regard to advertising have not been complied with, but upon consideration the Committee finds it expedient that the Rules be suspended and that leave be granted to introduce said Bill.

Ordered, That the report be received and concurred in.

Ordered, That Mr. Pingle have leave to introduce Bill No. 48, "An Act to incorporate the Red Deer Valley Railway Company."

Hon. Mr. Mitchell, in the absence of Mr. Pingle, accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Thursday next.

Ordered, That Dr. Stanley have leave to introduce Bill No. 45, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the High River and Hudson Bay Railway Company."

Mr. Hillocks, in the absence of Dr. Stanley, accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. McLean have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act to amend an Act to provide for the taxation of Theatre Goers."

Hon. Mr. Mitchell, in the absence of Hon. Mr. McLean, accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Mitchell have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Life Insurance Beneficiaries Act."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Thursday next.

Mr. Hoadley asked the Government the following questions, of which he had given notice, and which were answered by the Hon. Mr. Mitchell:

1. Q. Have any advances in salary been made to Ministers of the Government during the past year?

A. Yes.

2. Q. If so, to whom, and what amounts?

A. Hon. D. Marshall, salary paid each month in advance during 1916.

Hon. C. W. Cross, \$500.00 on account of December advanced on November 20th, 1916.

Hon. W. Gariepy, monthly salary paid in advance except three months' salary advanced April 27th, covering months of June, July and August.

3. Q. The above questions re expenses?

A. (a) Yes.

(b) Hon. W. Gariepy.....	\$1,000.00
	1,000.00
	1,000.00
Hon. C. W. Cross.....	200.00
Hon. J. R. Boyle.....	500.00
Hon. D. Marshall.....	200.00
	250.00
	100.00
Hon. C. R. Mitchell.....	100.00
	100.00
	200.00

NOTE.—The above advances were made on account of expenses of travel before journeys were undertaken, and were accounted for after completion of respective trips.

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY.)

And after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported that some progress had been made, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the report be now received and that the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow (Wednesday).

The House adjourned at 6 o'clock to Wednesday at 3 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 3 o'clock.

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY.)

And after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Smith reported that some further progress had been made, and asked leave to sit again.



Ordered, That the report be now received and that the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow (Thursday).

The House adjourned at 6 o'clock to Thursday at 3 o'clock.

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### THURSDAY, MARCH 22, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 3 o'clock.

The Hon. Mr. Sifton read the following cablegram received by him from His Royal Highness, the Duke of Connaught:

"London, March 21st, 1917.

"The Hon. Arthur Sifton,  
Premier, Province of Alberta,  
Edmonton.

"Thank you, your Government and Legislative Assembly of Alberta, for kind message of sympathy, which I much appreciate.

"CONNAUGHT."

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Marshall have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act to amend The Wolf Bounty Act."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Monday next.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Marshall have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act to amend The Agricultural Societies Ordinance."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Monday next.

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of Supply, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported that the Committee had come to certain Resolutions, and the same were read as follows:

### SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES 1916.

1. Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty for the services of 1916 the following sum to defray the expenses of Civil Government: Eighteen Thousand Two Hundred and Sixty-six Dollars and Sixty-nine Cents (\$18,266.69).

2. Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty for the services of 1916 the following sum to defray the expenses of Legislation: Fourteen Thousand Three Hundred and Thirty-eight Dollars and Fifty-eight Cents (\$14,338.58).

3. Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty for the services of 1916 the following sum to defray the expenses of Education: Twenty-eight Thousand Two Hundred and Five Dollars and Eight Cents (\$28,205.08).

4. Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty for the services of 1916 the following sum to defray the expenses of Dairy Work: Thirty-one Thousand Three Hundred and Ninety-three Dollars and Fifty-five Cents (\$31,393.55).

5. Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty for the services of 1916 the following sum to defray the expenses of Hospitals, Charities and Public Health: Eight Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty Dollars and Forty-one Cents (\$8,830.41).

6. Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty for the services of 1916, the following sum to defray the expenses of the Telephone Department: Thirty-one Thousand Nine Hundred and One Dollars and Twenty-nine Cents (\$31,901.29).

7. Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty for the services of 1916 the following sum to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous: Thirteen Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-Nine Dollars and Fifty-two Cents (\$13,999.52).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES 1918.

1. Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty for the services of 1918 the following sum to defray the expenses of the Public Debt: Two Hundred and Seventy-five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$275,000.00).

2. Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty for the services of 1918 the following sum to defray the expenses of Civil Government: One Hundred and Fifty-three Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty Dollars and No Cents (\$153,960.00).

3. Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty for the services of 1918 the following sum to defray the expenses of Legislation: One Hundred and Seven Thousand Four Hundred and Fifty-five Dollars and No Cents (\$107,455.00).

4. Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty for the services of 1918 the following sum to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice: Two Hundred Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$200,000.00).

5. Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty for the services of 1918 the following sum to defray the expenses of Public Works: Two Hundred and Eighty-five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$285,000.00).

6. Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty for the services of 1918 the following sum to defray the expenses of Education: Four Hundred Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$400,000.00).

7. Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty for the services of 1918 the following sum to defray the expenses of Agriculture and Statistics: Two Hundred and Three Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$203,000.00).

8. Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty for the services of 1918 the following sum to defray the expenses of Dairy Work: Thirty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$30,000.00).

9. Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty for the services of 1918 the following sum to defray the expenses of Hospitals, Charities and Public Health: Fifty-two Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$52,000.00).

10. Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty for the services of 1918 the following sum to defray the expenses of Telephones: Three Hundred Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$300,000.00).

11. Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty for the services of 1918 the following sum to defray the expenses of Public Institutions: Fifty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$50,000.00).

12. Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty for the services of 1918 the following sum to defray the expenses of Municipal Affairs: Five Thousand Six Hundred and Fifty Dollars and No Cents (\$5,650.00).

13. Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty for the services of 1918 the following sum to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous: One Hundred and Seventy-five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$175,000.00).

#### ESTIMATES 1917.

1. Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty for the services of 1917 the following sum to defray the expenses of the Public Debt: One Million and Sixty-seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$1,067,500.00).

2. Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty for the services of 1917 the following sum to defray the expenses of Civil Government: Five hundred and Eighty-one Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$581,500.00).

3. Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty for the services of 1917 the following sum to defray the expenses of Legislation: One Hundred and Nineteen Thousand and Twenty-five Dollars and No Cents (\$119,025.00).

4. Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty for the services of 1917 the following sum to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice: Six Hundred and Seventy-seven Thousand Two Hundred and Forty Dollars and No Cents (\$677,240.00).

5. Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty for the services of 1917 the following sum to defray the expenses of Public Works: One Million Eight Hundred and Nineteen Thousand Seven Hundred and Twenty Dollars and No Cents (\$1,819,720.00).

6. Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty for the services of 1917 the following sum to defray the expenses of Education: One Million One Hundred and Forty-two Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$1,142,900.00).

7. Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty for the services of 1917 the following sum to defray the expenses of Agriculture and Statistics: Five Hundred and Eighty-one Thousand Three Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$581,300.00).

8. Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty for the services of 1917 the following sum to defray the expenses of Dairy Work: Three Hundred Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$300,000.00).

9. Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty for the services of 1917 the following sum to defray the expenses of Hospitals, Charities and Public Health: One Hundred and Twenty-eight Thousand Dollars (\$128,000.00).

10. Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty for the services of 1917 the following sum to defray the expenses of Telephones: One Million Five Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$1,550,000.00).

11. Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty for the services of 1917 the following sum to defray the expenses of Public Institutions: Two Hundred and Twenty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$220,000.00).

12. Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty for the services of 1917 the following sum to defray the expenses of Municipal Affairs: Seventeen Thousand Six Hundred and Fifty Dollars and No Cents (\$17,650.00).

13. Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty for the services of 1917 the following sum to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous: Five Hundred and Twenty-two Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$522,700.00).

Ordered, That the report be now received.

The said Resolutions were then twice read and agreed to.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Mitchell, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Sifton:

Ordered, That this House resolve itself into Committee to consider of the Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of Ways and Means, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported that the Committee had come to certain Resolutions, and the same were read as follows:

Resolved, That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty the following sum be granted out of the General Revenue of the Province for the financial year ending December 31st, 1916: One Hundred and Forty-six Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty-five Dollars and Twelve Cents (\$146,935.12).

Resolved, That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty the following sum be granted out of the General Revenue of the Province from the 1st day of January, 1918, up to the date of final passage of the Estimates for the fiscal



year ending December 31, 1918: Two Million Two Hundred and Thirty-seven Thousand and Sixty-five Dollars and No Cents (\$2,237,065.00).

Resolved, That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty the following sum be granted out of the General Revenue of the Province for the financial year ending December 31st, 1917: Eight Million Seven Hundred and Twenty-seven Thousand Five Hundred and Thirty-five Dollars and No Cents (\$8,727,535.00).

Ordered, That the report be now received.

The said Resolutions were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Mitchell have leave to introduce a Bill for granting to His Majesty Certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Fiscal Years ending respectively the Thirty-first day of December, 1916, and the Thirty-first day of December, 1917, and from the First day of January, 1918, up to the date of final passage of the Estimates for the Fiscal Year ending the Thirty-first day of December, 1918.

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Monday next.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Mitchell, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Sifton:

That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, and that the House go into Committee of the Whole to consider a Resolution respecting a Bill for an Act to raise a loan upon the general credit of the Province for purposes therein set forth.

The Hon. Mr. Mitchell, a Member of the Executive Council, then stated to the House that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The motion was agreed to.

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on a Resolution respecting a Bill for an Act to raise a loan upon the general credit of the Province for purposes therein set forth, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Dr. Campbell reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution, and the same was read as follows:

Resolved, That it is expedient to introduce a Bill for an Act to authorize the Lieutenant Governor in Council to raise by way of loan a sum not exceeding Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars for any or all of the purposes following, that is to say: For the Public Service; for the covering of any debt of the Province on open account; for paying any floating indebtedness of the Province; for the carrying on of Public Works authorized by the Legislature; for the satisfaction or discharge of any obligations of the Province; and for such other purposes as may be authorized by the Legislature. The aforesaid sum of

money may be borrowed for any term or terms not exceeding fifty years at a rate not exceeding five per centum per annum, and shall be raised upon the credit of the general revenue fund of the Province of Alberta and shall be chargeable thereon.

Ordered, That the Resolution be now read a Second time.

The Resolution was accordingly read a Second time and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Mitchell have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act for Raising Money on the Credit of the General Revenue of Alberta."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 22, An Act to amend The Provincial Loans Act,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to Committee of the Whole to-morrow (Friday).

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 34, An Act to provide for the issue of Certificates of the Province payable on demand,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to Committee of the Whole to-morrow (Friday).

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 19, An Act to amend an Act to provide for the Taxation of Theatre Goers,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to Committee of the Whole to-morrow (Friday).

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 20, An Act to amend The Life Insurance Beneficiaries Act,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to Committee of the Whole to-morrow (Friday).

The Hon. Mr. Marshall laid on the Table of the House a Return to an Order of the House, dated March 6th, 1917, re Game Guardians administering The Game Act.

(*Sessional Paper No. 44.*)

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill No. 21, respecting Co-operative Credit, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow (Friday).

The House adjourned at 6 o'clock to Friday at 3 o'clock.

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FRIDAY, MARCH 23, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 3 o'clock.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Stewart have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act respecting the Reclamation of Lands."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Monday next.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Marshall have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act for the Enrolment of Stallions."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Monday next.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Gariepy have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "Patriotic Tax Act."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Monday next.

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 14, respecting the Police Force of the Province of Alberta, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time on Tuesday next.

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 21, respecting Co-operative Credit, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the report be now received and that the Committee have leave to sit again on Monday next.

The House adjourned at 6 o'clock to Monday at 3 o'clock.

MONDAY, MARCH 26, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 3 o'clock.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 33, An Act to amend The Liquor Act,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and Ordered, To be committed to Committee of the Whole to-morrow (Tuesday).

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 42, An Act respecting all Houses of Public Accommodation,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and Ordered, To be committed to Committee of the Whole to-morrow (Tuesday).

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 50, An Act for Granting to His Majesty Certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Fiscal Years ending respectively the Thirty-first day of December, 1916, and the Thirty-first day of December, 1917, and from the First day of January, 1918, up to the date of Final Passage of the Estimates for the Fiscal Year ending the Thirty-first day of December, 1918,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and Ordered, To be committed to Committee of the Whole to-morrow (Tuesday).

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 49, An Act for Raising Money on the Credit of the General Revenue of Alberta,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and Ordered, To be committed to Committee of the Whole to-morrow (Tuesday).

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 21, respecting Co-operative Credit, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and that the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow (Tuesday).

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 16, to amend The Succession Duties Act, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Smith reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and that the Committee have leave to sit again to-day.



The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 22, to amend The Provincial Loans Act, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Glendenning reported the Bill.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time to-morrow (Tuesday).

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 19, to amend An Act to provide for the Taxation of Theatre Goers, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Glendenning reported the Bill.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time to-morrow (Tuesday).

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 20, to amend The Life Insurance Beneficiaries Act, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Glendenning reported the Bill.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time to-morrow (Tuesday).

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 34, to provide for the issue of Certificates of the Province payable on demand, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the Bill.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time to-morrow (Tuesday).

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 40, to amend the Act respecting Seed Grain, Fodder and other Relief, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the Bill.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time to-morrow (Tuesday).

It being six o'clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

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MONDAY, MARCH 26, 1917, 8 P.M.

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 38, to provide for the Representation

of Alberta's Soldiers and Nurses in the present War, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time to-morrow (Tuesday).

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 13, to amend The Drainage Act, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Dr. Campbell reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and that the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow (Tuesday).

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 32, to amend The Private Ditches Act, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Dr. Campbell reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and that the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow (Tuesday).

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 31, to amend The Public Works Act, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Dr. Campbell reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and that the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow (Tuesday).

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 16, to amend The Succession Duties Act, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Dr. Campbell reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time to-morrow (Tuesday).

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 23, Municipal Hospitals Act, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Dr. Campbell reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the report be now received and that the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow (Tuesday).

The House adjourned at 11 o'clock to Tuesday at 3 o'clock.

TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Glendenning, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous and Private Bills presented the following report:

The Standing Committee on Miscellaneous and Private Bills begs to report as follows:

The Committee has fully considered Bill No. 3, an Act to incorporate the Merchants and Traders Assurance Company, and begs to report the same with certain amendments.

The Committee has also considered Bill No. 15, an Act to incorporate the Farmers' Fire and Hail Insurance Company, and begs to report the same with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the report be received and concurred in.

The questions asked by Mr. Hillocks, re Official Trustees appointed in School Districts, calling for numerous figures, and extended information, was changed into a motion for a Return to an Order of the House, and Return to said Order was laid on the Table of the House by the Hon. Mr. Boyle.

*(Sessional Paper No. 45.)*

The questions asked by Mr. Hoadley, regarding Advances in Salary and Expenses to Ministers of this Government, calling for numerous figures, and extended information, was changed into a motion for a Return to an Order of the House, and Return to said Order was laid on the Table of the House by the Hon. Mr. Mitchell.

*(Sessional Paper No. 46.)*

Mr. Hoadley asked the Government the following questions, of which he had given notice, and which were answered by the Hon. Mr. Mitchell:

1. Q. Have any of the Public Utility Commissioners or the Secretary had any advance of salary?

A. No.

2. Q. If so, on what dates were salary advances paid?

A. Answered by No. 1.

3. Q. Same question in regard to expenses, in and out of Provinces, separately, with all dates of expenses advanced, and dates accounted for.

A. No advances of any nature.

Moved by Mr. Hoadley, seconded by Mr. Hillocks:

That an Order of the House do issue for a Return showing:

1. All sums paid in advance to Cabinet Ministers since 1910, vouchers and checks in regard to salary.

2. All sums advanced to Cabinet Ministers for expenses, checks, vouchers and accounting, all papers in connection therewith, this from 1910.

The motion was agreed to.

Moved by Mr. Michener, seconded by Mr. Archer:

That an Order of the House do issue for a Return showing:

1. Number of assessment areas in connection with the Wild Land Tax Assessment, defining each area.

2. Total acreage, tax, amount collected, and name of assessor of each area—

(a) In 1915.

(b) In 1916.

The motion was agreed to.

Moved by Mr. Crawford, seconded by Dr. Stanley:

That, inasmuch as the Telephone System of the Province of Alberta is, through mismanagement and waste in construction, much over-capitalized, and as a result of such over-capitalization has been run at a loss to the Province of approximately \$2,000,000.00, and because of the fact that the Government has failed to give this Legislature accurate information, and has destroyed documents involving the expenditure of millions of dollars without first having obtained permission from the Legislative Assembly to destroy such documents;

Therefore, Be It Resolved, That in the opinion of this House a competent commission should be appointed for the purpose of making an independent audit and an examination of the assets of the Telephone Department for the purpose of ascertaining the actual value thereof.

A debate followed.

Hon. Mr. Sifton moved the following amendment, which was seconded by the Hon. Mr. Mitchell:

That all the words after "Alberta" in the resolution be struck out and the following **inserted**:

"has by careful management and economy in construction earned a surplus to the 31st of December, 1916, of \$394,094.39 as shown by the Public Accounts laid on the Table of the Legislature; has regularly submitted to the Legislature full and complete annual reports and also all additional accurate information asked for and has permanently retained all essential records;

"Therefore, Be It Resolved, That this Legislature is of the opinion that the accounting routines of the Alberta Government Telephone System, which conform in general principle to the standard uniform system of telephone accounts, are well adapted to and consistent with the present needs of the system, and having consideration for the high class of construction, the extent of the area covered, the class of country and the sparsity of population, construction has been so economically carried out as to permit of the people of Alberta enjoying an extensive service of the highest quality and at lower rates than any similar system now in operation."

A debate followed.

The amendment being put, Mr. Speaker declared "The Ayes have it," and the names being called for were taken as follows:



For the amendment:

Messieurs Boyle

Gariepy  
Marshall  
Sifton  
Mitchell  
Stewart  
Pingle  
Campbell (Dr.)  
Smith  
Puffer  
MacKay  
McKenney  
Woolf  
Leffingwell  
Shaw  
Lessard  
Glendenning  
Boudreau  
McArthur  
McNaughton  
Montgomery  
Cote  
Moffatt  
Tobin

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Against the amendment:

Messieurs Hillocks

Stanley  
Kemmis  
Ewing  
Michener  
Tweedie  
Hoadley  
R. Patterson  
Crawford  
Blow  
Archer

A. Patterson

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Paired: McColl (for), Weidenhammer (against).

The amendment was therefore carried.

The motion as amended being again put, Mr. Speaker declared "The Ayes have it," and the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion as amended:

Messieurs Boyle

Gariepy  
Marshall  
Sifton  
Mitchell  
Stewart  
Pingle  
Campbell (Dr.)

Smith  
Puffer  
MacKay  
McKenney  
Woolf  
Leffingwell  
Shaw  
Lessard  
Glendenning  
Boudreau  
McArthur  
McNaughton  
Montgomery  
Cote  
Moffatt  
Tobin.

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Against the motion as amended:

Messieurs Hillocks  
Stanley  
Kemmis  
Ewing  
Michener  
Tweedie  
Hoadley  
R. Patterson  
Crawford  
Blow  
Archer  
A. Patterson.

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Paired: McColl (for), Weidenhammer (against).

The motion as amended was therefore carried.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 45, An Act to amend the Act incorporating the High River and Hudson Bay Railway Company,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee on Railways.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 48, An Act to incorporate the Red Deer Valley Railway Company,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee on Railways.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Sifton, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Mitchell:

That the House do resolve itself into Committee of the Whole for the purpose of considering a certain Resolution providing for changing Guarantee to Lacombe and Blindman Valley Railway from Seven Thousand Dollars to Fourteen Thousand Dollars per mile.

The Hon. Mr. Sifton, a member of the Executive Council, then stated to the House, that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

A debate followed.

And the question being again put, Mr. Speaker declared "The Ayes have it."

The motion was therefore carried.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE.)

The House accordingly resolved itself into Committee, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the following resolution, and the same was read as follows:

Resolved, That it is expedient to increase the guarantee of the securities of the Lacombe and Blindman Valley Railway Company from Seven Thousand Dollars to Fourteen Thousand Dollars per mile.

Ordered, That the resolution be now read a Second time.

The said resolution was accordingly read a Second time and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Sifton have leave to introduce a Bill, intituled "An Act to authorize the Guarantee of Certain Securities of the Lacombe and Blindman Valley Electric Railway Company."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Thursday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 39, An Act to provide for the Protection of Electrical Workers,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and Ordered, To be referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 41, An Act to amend The Game Act, being Chapter 14 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1907, as amended,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and Ordered, To be referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 51, An Act to amend The Wolf Bounty Act,  
The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and Ordered, To be referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 52, An Act to amend The Agriculture Societies Ordinance,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and Ordered, To be referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 14, An Act respecting the Police Force of the Province of Alberta,

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act respecting the Police Force of the Province of Alberta."

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 22, An Act to amend The Provincial Loans Act,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to amend The Provincial Loans Act."

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 19, An Act to amend an Act to provide for the Taxation of Theatre Goers,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to amend an Act to provide for the Taxation of Theatre Goers."

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 20, An Act to amend The Life Insurance Beneficiaries Act,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to amend The Life Insurance Beneficiaries Act."

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 34, An Act to provide for the borrowing of Certain Moneys by means of Savings Certificates or other Securities,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to provide for the borrowing of Certain Moneys by means of Savings Certificates or other Securities."

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 40, An Act to amend the Act respecting Seed Grain, Fodder and other Relief,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.



Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to amend the Act respecting Seed Grain, Fodder and other Relief."

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 16, An Act to amend The Succession Duties Act.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to amend The Succession Duties Act."

It being six o'clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

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TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 1917, 8 P.M.

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 23, The Municipal Hospitals Act, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and that the Committee have leave to sit again.

The House adjourned at 11 o'clock to Wednesday at 3 o'clock.

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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Montgomery, from the Standing Committee on Municipal Law presented the following report:

The Standing Committee on Municipal Law begs to report as follows:

The Committee has fully considered Bill No. 6, An Act to amend the Edmonton Charter, and to validate and confirm certain By-laws of the City of Edmonton, and begs to report same with certain amendments.

The Committee has fully considered Bill No. 7, An Act to amend the Acts and Ordinances constituting the Charter of the City of Calgary, and to validate certain By-laws of the said city, and begs to report same with certain amendments.

The Committee has also fully considered Bill No. 8, An Act to amend the Lethbridge City Charter, and begs to report same with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the report be received and concurred in.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 44, An Act respecting the Reclamation of Lands,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and Ordered, To be referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Order of the Day being read for the Third Reading of Bill No. 38, An Act to provide for the Representation of Alberta's Soldiers and Nurses in the present War,

A debate followed.

Mr. Tweedie moved, seconded by Mr. Ewing:

That the Order for Third reading of Bill No. 38 be discharged, and that Bill No. 38 be recommitted to the Committee of the Whole House for the purpose of adding thereto the following provision:

That every person serving in the military forces of Great Britain or her Allies in Great Britain, Ireland, France, Belgium, or in any part of the Dominion of Canada outside of the Province of Alberta, raised for service in the present war, who at the time of enlistment was a resident of the Province of Alberta, or who resided in the Province of Alberta for six months immediately preceding the date on which he or she left the Province for the purpose of being appointed to, or enlisting in or joining such forces shall notwithstanding their absence from the electoral district or from the Province of Alberta, be entitled to vote in the electoral district in which he or she was last so resident in the next general election of the members of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Alberta.

For the purpose of carrying into effect this provision, according to the true intent and meaning thereof, this Act shall be read as one with "The Alberta Elections Act" in so far as same is applicable, and the Lieutenant Governor in Council may make such regulations not inconsistent with the spirit of this provision as may be deemed necessary, advisable or convenient for the purpose of giving effect to the same which regulations shall have the same force and effect as if incorporated herein.

The amendment being put, Mr. Speaker declared "The Noes have it", and the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment:

Messieurs Stanley  
Kemmis  
Ewing  
Michener  
Tweedie  
Hoadley  
Patterson (R.)  
Crawford  
Blow  
Archer

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Against the amendment:

Messieurs Boyle  
Gariepy  
Marshall  
Cross

Sifton  
Mitchell  
Stewart  
McLean  
Pingle  
Campbell (Dr.)  
Smith  
Puffer  
Woolf  
Leffingwell  
Shaw  
Lessard  
Glendenning  
McArthur  
McNaughton  
McColl  
McCallum  
Montgomery  
Moffatt  
Tobin. 24

The amendment was therefore lost.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to provide for the Representation of Alberta's Soldiers and Nurses in the present War."

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 50, For Granting to His Majesty Certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Fiscal Years ending respectively the Thirty-first day of December, 1916, and the Thirty-first day of December, 1917, and from the First day of January, 1918, up to the date of final passage of the Estimates for the Fiscal Year ending the Thirty-first day of December, 1918, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the Bill.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time to-day.

By consent of the House, the Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 50, An Act for Granting to His Majesty Certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Fiscal Years ending respectively the 31st day of December, 1916, and the Thirty-first day of December, 1917, and from the First day of January, 1918, up to the date of final passage of the Estimates for the Fiscal Year ending Thirty-first day of December, 1918.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act for Granting to His Majesty Certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Fiscal Years ending respectively the

Thirty-first day of December, 1916, and the Thirty-first day of December, 1917, and from the First day of January, 1918, up to the date of final passage of the Estimates for the Fiscal Year ending Thirty-first day of December, 1918."

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 13, to amend The Drainage Act, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time to-morrow (Thursday).

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 41, to amend The Game Act, being Chapter 14 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1907, as amended, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time to-morrow (Thursday).

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 51, to amend The Wolf Bounty Act, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time to-morrow (Thursday).

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 32, to amend The Private Ditches Act, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time to-morrow (Thursday).

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 52, to amend The Agriculture Societies Ordinance, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time to-morrow (Thursday).



The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 49, for Raising Money on the Credit of the General Revenue of Alberta, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the Bill.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time to-morrow (Thursday).

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 29, respecting Advances for the purpose of Seed Grain and the Securities for the repayment thereof, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and that the Committee have leave to sit again, also that the Bill be re-printed.

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 42, respecting all Houses of Public Accommodation, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time to-morrow (Thursday).

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Sifton, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Marshall:

That the Library Committee be composed as follows:

The Honourable the Speaker, Hon. J. R. Boyle, Hon. C. R. Mitchell, Messieurs Campbell (Ponoka), Ewing and Michener.

The motion was agreed to.

The House adjourned at 6.10 o'clock to Thursday at 3 o'clock.

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#### THURSDAY, MARCH 29, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 3 o'clock.

The Hon. Mr. Boyle, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table of the House a Return to an Order of the House, dated March 8th, 1917, re School Inspectors employed by the Department of Education. (*Sessional Paper No. 47.*)

Mr. Speaker laid on the Table of the House the report of the Provincial Librarian. (*Sessional Paper No. 48.*)

Mr. Michener rose and moved the adjournment of the House for the purpose of bringing to the attention of the House a matter of serious public importance in connection with the statement tabled by the Provincial Treasurer, re Shortage of Proceeds of Bonds.

A debate followed.

By leave of the House the motion was withdrawn.

Mr. Hillocks asked the Government the following questions, of which he had given notice, and which were answered by the Hon. Mr. Sifton:

1. Q. What is the total of mileage guaranteed for the Bruderheim Branch of the Canadian Northern Western Railway?

A. 200 miles authorized by Legislature.

2. Q. What is the total amount of such guarantee?

A. 200 miles at \$13,000 per mile—\$2,600,000.

3. Q. Have any bonds been executed, and if so, to what amount and under what dates?

A. 30 miles at \$13,000, under Trust Mortgage, June 22nd, 1912.

4. Q. What is the total amount that has been paid into the bank on this account?

A. Paid in with proceeds of other branch lines under same mortgage, not separated in ledger account.

5. Q. How many miles have been completed with ballast and steel laid?

A. None.

6. Q. How much additional grade has been constructed?

A. Twenty miles have been graded.

7. Q. How much money has been paid out on construction to date?

A. \$18,629.13.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 43, An Act to authorize the Guarantee of Certain Securities of Lacombe and Blindman Valley Electric Railway Company,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 53, An Act for the Enrolment of Stallions,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 13, An Act to amend The Drainage Act,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to amend The Drainage Act."

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 41, An Act to amend The Game Act, being Chapter 14 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1907, as amended,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to amend The Game Act, being Chapter 14 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1907, as amended."

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 32, An Act to amend The Private Ditches Act,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to amend The Private Ditches Act."

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 49, An Act for raising Money on the Credit of the General Revenue of Alberta.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act for Raising Money on the Credit of the General Revenue of Alberta."

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 42, An Act respecting all Houses of Public Accommodation,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act respecting all Houses of Public Accommodation."

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Mitchell, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Sifton:

That the House resolve itself into Committee of the Whole for the purpose of considering a Resolution for an Act to provide for the Guarantee by the Province of Alberta to cover Certain Borrowings of the Hail Insurance Board of Alberta respecting the present indebtedness of the said Board occasioned through excessive hail losses.

The Hon. Mr. Mitchell, a Member of the Executive Council, then stated to the House that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The motion was agreed to.

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on a Resolution respecting an Act to provide for the Guarantee by the Province of Alberta to cover Certain

Borrowings of the Hail Insurance Board of Alberta respecting the present indebtedness of the said Board occasioned through excessive hail losses, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution, and the same was read as follows:

Resolved, That it is expedient to introduce a Bill for an Act to authorize the Lieutenant Governor in Council in the name of the Province to guarantee to any chartered bank agreeing to lend money under the provisions of the said Act, principal and interest of the note or notes of the Hail Insurance Board of Alberta to an amount not exceeding two hundred and sixty-two thousand dollars (\$262,000), together with interest thereon as agreed upon between the Board and the lender, and that any sum so borrowed by the Board shall be used for the purpose of paying off claims upon the said Board made during the years 1915 and 1916 under The Municipal Co-operative Hail Insurance Act, and which remain unpaid, said sums so borrowed, together with interest to be repaid by the Board out of the proceeds of any rate levied for hail insurance in the Province under the provisions of the said Municipal Co-operative Hail Insurance Act.

Ordered, That the Resolution be now read a Second time.

The Resolution was accordingly read a Second time, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Mitchell have leave to introduce a Bill, intituled "An Act to provide for the Guarantee of Certain Borrowings of the Hail Insurance Board of Alberta."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Monday next.

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 10, to Foster and Encourage Agricultural Development by Means of Standard Forms of Investment upon Farm Mortgages and the Equalization of Rates of Interest, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and that the Committee have leave to sit again.

His Honour Robert George Brett, the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Alberta, having entered the House and being seated on the Throne,

Mr. Speaker then said:

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

"The Legislative Assembly of the Province of Alberta in Session assembled approach Your Honour with sentiments of unfeigned loyalty and humbly beg to present for Your Honour's



acceptance, a Bill intituled 'An Act for Granting to His Majesty Certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Fiscal Years ending respectively the Thirty-first day of December, 1916, and the Thirty-first day of December, 1917, and from the First day of January, 1918, up to the date of final passage of the Estimates for the Fiscal Year ending the Thirty-first day of December, 1918,' thus placing at the disposal of His Majesty the means by which the Government can be made efficient for the service and welfare of the Province of Alberta."

To this Bill the Royal Assent was announced by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly in the following words:

"His Honour the Lieutenant Governor doth thank His Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, accepts their benevolence, and assents to this Bill in His Majesty's name."

His Honour then retired from the House.

It being six o'clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 29, 1917, 8 P.M.

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 10, to Foster and Encourage Agricultural Development by Means of Standard Forms of Investment upon Farm Mortgages and the Equalization of Rates of Interest, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Tobin reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time to-morrow (Friday).

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 33, to amend The Liquor Act, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time to-morrow (Friday).

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 39, to provide for the Protection of Electrical Workers, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the Bill.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time to-morrow (Friday).

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 31, to amend The Public Works Act, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the Bill.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time to-morrow (Friday).

The House adjourned at 11 o'clock to Friday at 3 o'clock.

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FRIDAY, MARCH 30, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Cote, from the Standing Committee on Railways, presented the following report:

The Standing Committee on Railways begs to report as follows:

That with respect to Bill No. 45, An Act to amend Chapter 51 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1910 (Second Session), being an Act to incorporate the High River and Hudson Bay Railway Company,

The Committee begs to report the same with certain amendments.

That with respect to Bill No. 48, an Act to incorporate the Red Deer Valley Railway Company,

The Committee begs to report the same with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the report be received and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Sifton have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act to amend The Election Act."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Monday next.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Sifton have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the War Veterans' Association."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 52, An Act to amend The Agricultural Societies Ordinance,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to amend The Agricultural Societies Ordinance."

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 10, An Act to Foster and Encourage Agricultural Development by means of Standard Forms of Investment upon Farm Mortgages and the equalization of rates of interest,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to Foster and Encourage Agricultural Development by means of Standard Forms of Investment upon Farm Mortgages and the Equalization of Rates of Interest."

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 33, An Act to amend The Liquor Act,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to amend The Liquor Act."

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 39, An Act to provide for Protection of Electrical Workers,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to provide for Protection of Electrical Workers."

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 31, An Act to amend The Public Works Act,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to amend The Public Works Act."

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 44, respecting the Reclamation of Lands, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the Bill.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time on Monday next.

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 28, to Encourage the increased raising of Live Stock in the Province of Alberta, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the report be now received and that the committee have leave to sit again.

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Ordered, That the House refer back to Order of Business "Public Bills and Orders."

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Mitchell have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for an Administrator of the Estates of Infants and an Official Guardian of said Estates."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Monday next.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Cross have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act to amend The Legislative Assembly Act."

Hon. Mr. Mitchell, in the absence of the Hon. Mr. Cross, accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Monday next.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Cross have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act to amend The Trustee Ordinance."

Hon. Mr. Mitchell, in the absence of the Hon. Mr. Cross, accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was received and read a First time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time on Monday next.

Ordered, That the House refer back to Order of Business "Public Bills and Orders, for Third Reading."

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 51, An Act to amend The Wolf Bounty Act,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to amend The Wolf Bounty Act."

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 53, for the Enrolment of Stallions.

It being 6 o'clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

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FRIDAY, MARCH 30, 1917, 8 P.M.

House in Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 53, for the Enrolment of Stallions, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Smith reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the report be now received and that the Committee have leave to sit again.



The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 30, to amend an Act to incorporate The Alberta Farmers' Co-operative Elevator Company, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the report be now received and that the Committee have leave to sit again.

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 43, to authorize the Guarantee of Certain Securities of Lacombe and Blindman Valley Electric Railway Company, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the Bill.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time on Monday next.

The House adjourned at 10.10 o'clock to Monday at 3 o'clock.

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### MONDAY, APRIL 2, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 3 o'clock.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 24, An Act to amend The Town Act,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 25, An Act to amend The Village Act,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 26, An Act to amend The Rural Municipalities Act,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 27, An Act to amend The Local Improvement Act,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 46, An Act to amend The School Ordinance and The School Assessment Ordinance,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 56, An Act to provide for the Guarantee of Certain Borrowings of the Hail Insurance Board of Alberta,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 54, The Patriotic Tax Act,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 44, An Act respecting the Reclamation of Lands,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act respecting the Reclamation of Lands."

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 43, An Act to authorize the Guarantee of Certain Securities of Lacombe and Blindman Valley Electric Railway Company,

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to authorize the Guarantee of Certain Securities of Lacombe and Blindman Valley Electric Railway Company."

Mr. Michener moved, seconded by Dr. Stanley:

Be It Resolved, That in the opinion of this House—

1. That the Minister of Railways has improperly permitted the payment out to railway interests from the proceeds of guaranteed bonds large sums of money on false and fraudulent estimates.

2. That no proper supervision has been exercised by the Minister of Railways nor by any Member or official of the Government to ensure that the entire proceeds of sales of bond issues are paid into a chartered bank according to law, and as a result of such negligence large sums of money which by law should have been used in railway construction have been diverted to private interests.

3. That as a result of misleading and incorrect statements conveyed to this House by the Minister of Railways, this House was induced to authorize guarantee of bonds to the railways

controlled by J. D. McArthur and his associates covering over 900 miles in all, to an amount exceeding the actual cost of such railways by more than \$5,000 per mile.

4. That private interests have been permitted by the Minister of Railways to exploit the public credit of the Province by means of excessive guarantees and other privileges and concessions not in the public interest and that the location of railways built on the credit of the Province has been determined by private interest rather than by public good, and that as a result private fortunes are being built up at the public expense with the full knowledge of the Minister of Railways.

And that therefore it is advisable that the Lieutenant Governor in Council be requested to appoint a Royal Commission to make full investigation into Railway Construction in this Province as advanced under the various Statutes of the Province guaranteeing railway bonds, and to make enquiry into the Administration of the Department of the Minister of Railways as to all matters in connection therewith; the said Commission to consist of two Judges of the Supreme Court of Alberta, who shall have power to select a competent Railway Engineer as a third member of the Commission; and that the said Commission so constituted shall have authority and all the powers mentioned in Section two (2) of "The Act respecting Enquiries Concerning Public Matters," being Chapter two (2) of the Statutes of Alberta, 1908; and that the said Commission shall select Counsel to assist in the conduct of the said investigation and enquiry, reserving to themselves the privilege, should they deem it advisable in the public interests to permit the service of Counsel other than that selected by themselves, and further that upon conclusion of the said investigation and enquiry, the said Commission shall make a report to the Lieutenant Governor in Council for the information of the Legislative Assembly of this Province.

A debate followed.

Hon. Mr. Sifton moved the following amendment, which was seconded by the Hon. Mr. Mitchell:

That all the words after "House" in the first line be struck out and the following inserted:

1. The procedure followed in the payment of estimates by the Railway Department of the Alberta Government on railway construction assisted by government guarantees is an absolute safeguard to the mortgage security of the Province.

2. The careful supervision along the lines of this procedure exercised by the Government has resulted in the economical construction of over 1760 miles of guaranteed railway lines in the Province that would not otherwise have been built.

3. The assistance so given by the Government to guaranteed lines has largely forced the construction of other lines of railway in the Province showing a result within the last seven years of 3,000 miles of new railway at an approximate expenditure within the Province of over Fifty Million Dollars.

4. In every matter connected with the guaranteeing or construction of said railways of interest to this House, the Government has at all times given the fullest, the frankest and most reliable information, and this House has acted upon the information given with the fullest confidence that their action would result in increased railway production, and increased prosperity for the people of Alberta.

5. The only interests that have been consulted in the building of railways under government guarantees in the Province of Alberta, or the location of same so far as the same have been approved by the Provincial Railway Department, have been the interests of the settlers along the lines of said railways, and the general interest of the community in the upbuilding of the prosperity of the Province.

And This House Desires to Affirm its satisfaction that at this time when the Empire is deeply interested in finding a location for British citizens under the British flag, that railway development in the Northern part of Alberta has been carried to such an extent as to furnish probably the best location yet left in the Empire for that settlement.

The Hon. Mr. Sifton laid on the Table of the House the following Cablegram:

"London, April 2, 1917.

"Provincial Treasurer,

Edmonton, Alta.

"Canadian Northern Western Bonds purchased by us at eighty-nine and three quarters and were then underwritten to public at ninety one and half, we paying all brokerages and costs of issue. Brazeau matter was underwritten by Belgian syndicate in which we were only participants. All enquiries for definite information should be addressed to Principals Syndicate Banque Doutremere Brussels. We understand purchase price was ninety-one and half. Never issued to public and many participants have since purchase sold holdings privately at loss of twelve per cent.

LAZARD BROS.

"11.50 a.m.

(*Marked Sessional Paper No. 49.*)

also the following Telegram:

"Toronto, Ont., March 30, 1917.

"C. R. Mitchell,

Provincial Treasurer,

Edmonton, Alta.

"Apparently two distinct issues are being confused. Canadian Northern Western issue two million eight hundred thousand dollars Brazeau line was sold in nineteen eleven and nineteen twelve to Brussels Syndicate through Lasard's at ninety-one and one-half which less adjustment expenses and interest twenty-four thousand three eighty-six thirty-one was placed credit Trustee. Two years later February nineteen fourteen issue one million three hundred and twenty thousand pounds Canadian



Northern Western bonds were sold Lazard's at eighty-nine and three-quarters statement of which you have. Have asked London cable you direct confirming matters.

"A. J. MITCHELL."

(*Marked Sessional Paper No. 50.*)

A debate followed.

It being six o'clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

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The debate continued.

The amendment being put, Mr. Speaker declared "The Ayes have it," and the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment:

Messieurs Boyle  
Gariepy  
Marshall  
Cross  
Sifton  
Mitchell  
Stewart  
McLean  
Pingle  
Campbell, Dr.  
Smith  
Puffer  
MacKay  
McKenney  
Woolf  
Leffingwell  
Shaw  
Lessard  
Boudreau  
McArthur  
McNaughton  
McColl  
McCallum  
Montgomery  
Cote  
Moffatt.

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Against the amendment:

Messieurs Stanley  
Kemmis  
Ewing  
Michener  
Tweedie  
Hoadley  
Patterson, R.

Crawford  
 Blow  
 Archer  
 Weidenhammer  
 Patterson, A.

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Paired: Glendenning (for), Hillocks (against).

The amendment was therefore carried.

The motion as amended being again put, Mr. Speaker declared "The Ayes have it," and the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion as amended:

Messieurs Boyle  
 Gariepy  
 Marshall  
 Cross  
 Sifton  
 Mitchell  
 Stewart  
 McLean  
 Pingle  
 Campbell, Dr.  
 Smith  
 Puffer  
 MacKay  
 McKenney  
 Woolf  
 Leffingwell  
 Shaw  
 Lessard  
 Boudreau  
 McArthur  
 McNaughton  
 McColl  
 McCallum  
 Montgomery  
 Cote  
 Moffatt.

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Against the motion as amended:

Messieurs Stanley  
 Kemmis  
 Ewing  
 Michener  
 Tweedie  
 Hoadley  
 Patterson, R.  
 Crawford  
 Blow  
 Archer  
 Weidenhammer  
 Patterson, A.

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Paired: Glendenning (for), Hillocks (against).

The motion as amended was therefore carried.

Mr. Ewing moved, seconded by Mr. Kemmis:

That in the opinion of this House the abolition of political patronage is in the interest of the people, and that all appointments to the public service and all promotions therein should be placed under the control of an independent Public Service Commission.

A debate followed.

Hon. Mr. Sifton moved the following amendment, which was seconded by the Hon. Mr. Mitchell:

That all the words after "House" be struck out and the following inserted:

Appointments and promotions in the Civil Service of the Province of Alberta should continue to be based solely upon qualification and merit, and permanently maintained independent of political party influences.

And this House further recommends to the Government that a standardization and classification of Civil Service be made with a provision for deduction of pay for the purpose of forming a retiring allowance.

The debate continued.

Mr. Smith moved, seconded by Dr. Stanley, the following amendment to the amendment:

That in the opinion of this House, the abolition of political patronage in both Provincial and Federal affairs is in the interest of the people and that appointments to the Public Service and promotions therein should be placed under the control of Independent Public Service Commissioners.

A debate followed.

And Mr. Smith's amendment to the amendment being put, Mr. Speaker declared "the Noes have it," and the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment to the amendment:

Messieurs Smith

Stanley

Kemmis

Ewing

Michener

Tweedie

Hoadley

Patterson, R.

Crawford

Blow

Archer

Weidenhammer

Patterson, A.

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Against the amendment to the amendment:

Messieurs Boyle

Gariepy

Marshall

Cross

Sifton

Mitchell

McLean  
 Pingle  
 Campbell, Dr.  
 Puffer  
 MacKay  
 McKenney  
 Woolf  
 Leffingwell  
 Shaw  
 Lessard  
 Boudreau  
 McArthur  
 McNaughton  
 McColl  
 Montgomery  
 Cote  
 Moffatt.

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The amendment to the amendment was therefore lost.

The amendment of the Hon. Mr. Sifton being put, Mr. Speaker declared "The Ayes have it," and the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment:

Messieurs Boyle  
 Gariepy  
 Marshall  
 Cross  
 Sifton  
 Mitchell  
 McLean  
 Pingle  
 Campbell, Dr.  
 Smith  
 Puffer  
 MacKay  
 McKenney  
 Woolf  
 Leffingwell  
 Shaw  
 Lessard  
 Boudreau  
 McArthur  
 McNaughton  
 McColl  
 Montgomery  
 Cote  
 Moffatt.

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Against the amendment:

Messieurs Stanley  
 Kemmis  
 Ewing  
 Michener  
 Tweedie



Hoadley  
 Patterson, R.  
 Crawford  
 Blow  
 Archer  
 Weidenhammer  
 Patterson, A. 12

The amendment was therefore carried.

The motion as amended being again put, Mr. Speaker declared "the Ayes have it," and the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion as amended:

Messieurs Boyle  
 Gariepy  
 Marshall  
 Cross  
 Sifton  
 Mitchell  
 McLean  
 Pingle  
 Campbell, Dr.  
 Smith  
 Puffer  
 MacKay  
 McKenney  
 Woolf  
 Leffingwell  
 Shaw  
 Lessard  
 Boudreau  
 McArthur  
 McNaughton  
 McColl  
 Montgomery  
 Cote  
 Moffatt. 24

Against the motion as amended:

Messieurs Stanley  
 Kemmis  
 Ewing  
 Michener  
 Tweedie  
 Hoadley  
 Patterson, R.  
 Crawford  
 Blow  
 Archer  
 Weidenhammer  
 Patterson, A. 12

The motion as amended was therefore carried.

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 23, The Municipal Hospital Act, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time to-morrow (Tuesday).

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 30, to amend an Act to incorporate the Alberta Farmers' Co-operative Elevator Company, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time to-morrow (Tuesday).

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 28, to Encourage the Increased Raising of Live Stock in the Province of Alberta, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time to-morrow (Tuesday).

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 53, for the Enrolment of Stallions, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the report be now received and that the Committee have leave to sit again.

The House adjourned at 11.40 o'clock to Tuesday at 2 o'clock.

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TUESDAY, APRIL 3, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 3 o'clock.

The Hon. Mr. Boyle, a Member of the Executive Council, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, laid on the Table of the House the Annual Report of the Department of Education of the Province of Alberta, for the year 1916.

(*Sessional Paper No. 51.*)

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 37, An Act relating to Dower,  
The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and  
Ordered, To be referred to Committee of the Whole.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 58, An Act to amend The Election Act,  
The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and  
Ordered, To be referred to Committee of the Whole.

The Hon. Mr. Cross, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table of the House a Return to an Order of the House, dated February 20th, 1917, re Officials in the employ of the Government for the administration and enforcement of The Liquor Act.  
(*Sessional Paper No. 52.*)

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 30, An Act to incorporate the Alberta Farmers Co-operative Elevator Company,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to amend an Act to incorporate the Alberta Farmers' Co-operative Elevator Company."

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 28, An Act to Encourage the Increased Raising of Stock in the Province of Alberta,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to Encourage the Increased Raising of Stock in the Alberta."

Ordered, That the Rules respecting Printing and Distribution of Bills prior to Second reading of same be suspended and that Bills numbered 47, 60, 61, 59, 57 and 12 be read a Second time.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 47, An Act to amend The Municipal Co-operative Hail Insurance Act,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and

Ordered, To be referred to Committee of the Whole.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 60, An Act to amend The Legislative Assembly Act,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and

Ordered, To be referred to Committee of the Whole.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 61, An Act to provide for an Administrator of the Estates of Infants and an Official Guardian of said Estates,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and Ordered, To be referred to Committee of the Whole.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 59, An Act to amend The Trustee Ordinance,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and Ordered, To be referred to Committee of the Whole.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 57, An Act to incorporate the War Veterans' Association,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and Ordered, To be referred to Committee of the Whole.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 12, An Act to amend The Statute Law,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and Ordered, To be referred to Committee of the Whole.

The Order of the Day being read for Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 35, An Act respecting Wills,

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Cross, That the Bill be discharged. The motion was agreed to.

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 21, An Act respecting Co-operative Credit, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time to-morrow (Wednesday).

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 24, An Act to amend The Town Act, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time to-morrow (Wednesday).

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the following Bills:

Bill No. 25, to amend The Village Act,

Bill No. 26, to amend The Rural Municipalities Act,

Bill No. 27, to amend The Local Improvement Act,

Bill No. 46, to amend The School Ordinance and the School Assessment Ordinance,



Bill No. 54, The Patriotic Tax Act.

It being six o'clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

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TUESDAY, APRIL 3, 1917, 8 P.M.

House still in Committee of the Whole on Bills Nos. 25, 26, 27, 46 and 54, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported as follows:

Bill No. 25, to amend The Village Act, reported the Bill.

Bill No. 26, to amend The Rural Municipalities Act, reported with amendments.

Bill No. 27, to amend The Local Improvement Act, reported with amendments.

Bill No. 46, to amend The School Ordinance and The School Assessment Ordinance, reported with amendments.

Bill No. 54, The Patriotic Tax Act, reported with amendments.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the above five Bills be read a Third time to-morrow (Wednesday).

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 56, to provide for the Guarantee of Certain Borrowings of the Hail Insurance Board of Alberta, and Bill No. 29, respecting Advances for the purpose of Seed Grain and the Securities for the repayment thereof, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported as follows: Bill No. 56, reported the Bill; Bill No. 29, reported with amendments.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a Third time to-morrow (Wednesday).

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the following Bills:

Bill No. 4, respecting the Central Canada Railway Company,

Bill No. 5, to amend Chapter 31 of the Statutes of 1911-12, being an Act to incorporate the Athabasca Valley Railway Company,

Bill No. 2, to amend the Act incorporating the Brule Lake Railway Company as amended by Chapter 35 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1915,

Bill No. 9, to incorporate The Crows' Nest and Tent Mountain Railway Company,

and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the Bills as follows:

Bill No. 4, respecting the Central Canada Railway Company, reported with amendments.

Bill No. 5, to amend Chapter 31 of the Statutes of 1911-12, being an Act to incorporate the Athabasca Valley Railway Company, reported the Bill.

Bill No. 2, to amend the Act incorporating the Brule Lake Railway Company as amended by Chapter 35 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1915, reported with amendments.

Bill No. 9, to incorporate The Crows' Nest and Tent Mountain Railway Company, reported the Bill.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the four Bills above named be read a Third time to-morrow (Wednesday).

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the following Bills:

Bill No. 1, to incorporate the Alberta Guarantee and Fidelity Company,

Bill No. 3, to incorporate the Merchants and Traders Assurance Company,

Bill No. 15, to incorporate the Farmers Fire and Hail Insurance Company,

Bill No. 45, to amend the Act incorporating the High River and Hudson Bay Railway Company,

Bill No. 48, to incorporate the Red Deer Valley Railway Company,

and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the Bills as follows:

Bill No. 1, to incorporate the Alberta Guarantee and Fidelity Company, reported with amendments.

Bill No. 3, to incorporate the Merchants and Traders Assurance Company, reported the Bill.

Bill No. 15, to incorporate the Farmers Fire and Hail Insurance Company, reported the Bill.

Bill No. 45, to amend the Act incorporating the High River and Hudson Bay Railway Company, reported the Bill with amendments.

Bill No. 48, to incorporate the Red Deer Valley Railway Company, reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the five Bills above named be read a Third time to-morrow (Wednesday).

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 7 to amend the Acts and Ordinances constituting the Charter of the City of Calgary, and to validate Certain By-laws of the said city; and Bill No. 8, to amend the Lethbridge City Charter, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the Bills as follows:

Bill No. 7, to amend the Acts and Ordinances constituting the Charter of the City of Calgary, and to validate Certain By-laws of the said City, and reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Bill No. 8, to amend the Lethbridge City Charter, and reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the report be now received and that the Committee have leave to sit again on Bill No. 7.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That Bill No. 8 be read a Third time to-morrow (Wednesday).

The House adjourned at 11.20 o'clock to Wednesday at 10.30 o'clock.

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### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 10.30 o'clock.

Hon. Mr. Marshall, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table of the House a Return to an Order of the House, dated March 6th, 1917, re Live Stock on Demonstration Farms.  
(*Sessional Paper No. 53.*)

Hon. Mr. Stewart, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table of the House a Return to an Order of the House, dated February 20th, 1917, re Purchase of property at Red Deer to be used by the Government for the work on behalf of the feeble minded.  
(*Sessional Paper No. 54.*)

The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of Bill No. 36, The Factory Act,

The said Bill was accordingly read a Second time, and

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 23, The Municipal Hospitals Act,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "The Municipal Hospitals Act."

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 21, An Act respecting Co-operative Credit,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act respecting Co-operative Credit."

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 24, An Act to amend The Town Act,  
Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.  
The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.  
Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to amend The Town Act."

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 25, An Act to amend The Village Act,  
Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.  
The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.  
Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to amend The Village Act."

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 26, An Act to amend The Rural Municipalities Act,  
Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.  
The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.  
Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to amend an Act respecting Rural Municipalities."

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 27, An Act to amend The Local Improvement Act,  
Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.  
The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.  
Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to amend an Act respecting Local Improvements."

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 46, An Act to amend The School Ordinance and The School Assessment Ordinance,  
Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.  
The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.  
Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to amend The School Ordinance and The School Assessment Ordinance."

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 54, The Patriotic Tax Act,  
Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.  
The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.  
Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "The Patriotic Tax Act."

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 29, An Act respecting Advances for the purpose of Seed Grain and the Securities for the Repayment thereof,  
Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.  
The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.



Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act respecting Advances for the Purchase of Seed Grain and the Securities for the Repayment thereof."

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 56, An Act to provide for the Guarantee of Certain Borrowings of the Hail Insurance Board of Alberta,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to provide for the Guarantee of Certain Borrowings of the Hail Insurance Board of Alberta."

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 4, An Act respecting the Central Canada Railway Company,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act respecting the Central Canada Railway Company."

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 5, An Act to amend Chapter 31 of the Statutes of 1911-12, being an Act to incorporate the Athabasca Valley Railway Company,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to amend Chapter 31 of the Statutes of 1911-12, being an Act to incorporate the Athabasca Valley Railway Company."

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 2, An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Brule Lake Railway Company, as amended by Chapter 35 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1915,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Brule Lake Railway Company, as amended by Chapter 35 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1915."

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 9, An Act to incorporate the Crows' Nest and Tent Mountain Railway Company,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to incorporate The Crows' Nest and Tent Mountain Railway Company."

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 1, An Act to incorporate The Alberta Guarantee and Fidelity Company,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to incorporate the Alberta Guarantee and Fidelity Company."

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 3, An Act to incorporate the Merchants and Traders Assurance Company,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to incorporate the Merchants and Traders Assurance Company."

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 15, An Act to incorporate the Farmers' Fire and Hail Insurance Company,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to incorporate the Farmers' Fire and Hail Insurance Company."

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 45, An Act to amend Chapter 51 of the Statutes of 1910 (Second Session), being an Act to incorporate High River and Hudson Bay Railway Company,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to amend Chapter 51 of the Statutes of 1910 (Second Session), being an Act to incorporate High River and Hudson Bay Railway Company."

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 48, An Act to incorporate the Red Deer Valley Railway Company,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to incorporate the Red Deer Valley Railway Company."

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 8, An Act to amend the Lethbridge City Charter,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to amend the Lethbridge City Charter."

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 53, for the Enrolment of Stallions, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time to-day.

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 53, An Act for the Enrolment of Stallions,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act for the Enrolment of Stallions."

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 37, The Dower Act, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time to-day.

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 37, The Dower Act,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "The Dower Act."

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 47, to amend The Municipal Co-operative Hail Insurance Act, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time to-day.

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 59, to amend The Trustee Ordinance, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time to-day.

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 59, An Act to amend The Trustee Ordinance,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to amend The Trustee Ordinance."

The House adjourned at 12.30 o'clock to 2 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4, 2 P.M.

Mr. McNaughton, Chairman of the Public Accounts Committee, laid on the Table of the House the Report of the Public Accounts Committee.  
(*Sessional Paper No. 55.*)

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 58, to amend The Election Act, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the Bill.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time to-day.

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 58, An Act to amend The Election Act,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act amending The Election Act respecting Members of the Legislative Assembly on Active Service."

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 60, to amend an Act respecting the Legislative Assembly of Alberta, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the Bill.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time to-day.

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 60, An Act to amend an Act respecting the Legislative Assembly of Alberta,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to amend an Act respecting the Legislative Assembly of Alberta."

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 61, to provide for the Appointment of Official Guardian, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time to-day.

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 61, An Act to provide for an Administrator of the Estates of Infants, and an Official Guardian of said Estates,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.



Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to provide for an Administrator of the Estates of Infants, and an Official Guardian of said Estates."

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 57, to incorporate War Veterans' Association, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the Bill.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time to-day.

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 57, An Act to incorporate War Veterans' Association,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to incorporate War Veterans' Association."

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 12, to amend The Statute Law, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time to-day.

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 12, An Act to amend The Statute Law,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Ordered, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to amend The Statute Law."

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 47, An Act to amend The Municipal Co-operative Hail Insurance Act,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to amend The Co-operative Hail Insurance Act."

The House adjourned at 5.30 o'clock to Thursday at 10.30 o'clock.

THURSDAY, APRIL 5, 1917.

The Speaker took the Chair at 10.30 o'clock.

Moved by Dr. Stanley, seconded by Mr. Hoadley:

That in the opinion of this House The Wild Lands Tax Act should be amended to provide that the Revenue derived therefrom shall be applied in the establishment and maintenance of a system of Free Hospitals for the Rural Districts of the Province.

A debate followed.

The motion being again put Mr. Speaker declared "The Noes have it," and the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion:

Messieurs Hillocks  
Stanley  
Kemmis  
Ewing  
Michener  
Tweedie  
Hoadley  
Crawford  
Blow  
Archer  
Weidenhammer  
A. Patterson.

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Against the motion:

Messieurs Gariepy  
Marshall  
Cross  
Sifton  
Mitchell  
Stewart  
McLean  
Pingle  
Campbell (Dr.)  
Smith  
Puffer  
MacKay  
McKenney  
Woolf  
Leffingwell  
Lessard  
Boudreau  
Turgeon  
Shandro  
McArthur  
McNaughton  
McColl  
Montgomery  
Cote

Moffatt  
Tobin.

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The motion was therefore lost.

Mr. Michener asked the Government the following question, of which he had given notice, and which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Gariepy:

1. Q. What is the total Wild Land Tax in the Rural Municipality of Excelsior No. 92—

(a) Levied?

(b) Collected?

A. (a) Levied \$9,618.12.

(b) Collected \$2,196.34.

Mr. Michener asked the Government the following question, of which he had given notice, and which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Gariepy:

1. Q. What is the total Wild Land Tax levied, also collected, in—

(a) The unorganized area of the Province?

(b) The Local Improvement area of the Province?

(c) The Rural Municipalities of the Province?

A. (a) Levied \$286,182.53. Collected \$106,733.68.

(b) Levied \$596,584.60. Collected \$223,234.15.

(c) Levied \$498,459.38. Collected \$152,636.21.

Mr. Archer asked the Government the following question, of which he had given notice, and which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Marshall:

Q. The number and kinds of stock that have died on the Olds Demonstration Farm since January 1st, 1917, giving dates in each case?

A. None.

Mr. Archer asked the Government the following question, of which he had given notice, and which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Marshall:

Q. Is Mr. Eadie manager of the Olds Demonstration Farm at the present time; if not, when did he cease to occupy such position and what position is he now employed in?

A. Yes.

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 36, for the Protection of Persons employed in Factories, Shops and Office Buildings.

The House adjourned at 1 o'clock to 1.30 o'clock.

THURSDAY, APRIL 5, 1.30 P.M.

House still in Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 36, for the Protection of Persons employed in Factories, Shops and Office Buildings, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time to-day.

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 36, An Act for the Protection of Persons employed in Factories, Shops and Office Buildings,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act for the Protection of Persons employed in Factories, Shops and Office Buildings."

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 7, to amend the Acts and Ordinances constituting the Charter of the City of Calgary, and to validate Certain By-laws of said City, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time to-day.

The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 7, An Act to amend the Acts and Ordinances constituting the Charter of the City of Calgary, and to validate Certain By-laws of the said City,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to amend the Acts and Ordinances constituting the Charter of the City of Calgary, and to validate Certain By-laws of the said City."

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 6, to amend the Edmonton Charter and to validate and confirm Certain By-laws of the City of Edmonton, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Smith reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time to-day.



The Order of the Day being read for the Third reading of Bill No. 6, An Act to amend the Edmonton Charter and to validate and confirm Certain By-laws of the City of Edmonton,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a Third time.

The Bill was accordingly read a Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Act to amend the Edmonton Charter and to validate and confirm Certain By-laws of the City of Edmonton."

Hon. Mr. Mitchell, a Member of the Executive Council, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, laid on the Table of the House the Annual Report of the Superintendent of Insurance for the year ended December 31st, 1915.

*(Sessional Paper No. 56.)*

Mr. Hoadley called the attention of the Speaker to the fact that no report from the Committee on printing had been presented to the House.

Some discussion arose.

Mr. Crawford moved, seconded by Mr. Hoadley, the following motion to the House:

That Sessional papers 1 to 9 inclusive, 12 and 13, 15 to 19 inclusive, 21 to 24 inclusive, 26 and 27, 30 to 32 inclusive, 34 to 39 inclusive, 41 and 42, 45 to 47 inclusive, 49 and 50, 52 and 53, be printed and embodied in and bound with the Journals of the House in sufficient quantities to supply each member of the Legislative Assembly with a copy thereof, and that the same be printed and distributed to each and every Member of the Legislative Assembly prior to the issuing of the writs for an election.

And was speaking upon the same when his remarks were interrupted by the entrance of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor.

His Honour Robert George Brett, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Alberta, having entered the House and being seated on the Throne,

The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly read the titles to the Bills to be assented to as follows:

1. An Act to incorporate the Alberta Guarantee and Fidelity Company.

2. An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Brule Lake Railway Company, as amended by Chapter 35 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1915.

3. An Act to incorporate the Merchants and Traders Assurance Company.

4. An Act respecting the Central Canada Railway Company.

5. An Act to amend Chapter 31 of the Statutes of 1911-12, being an Act to incorporate the Athabasca Valley Railway Company.

6. An Act to amend the Edmonton Charter and to validate and confirm certain By-laws of the City of Edmonton.

7. An Act to amend the Acts and Ordinances constituting the Charter of the City of Calgary, and to validate certain By-laws of the said City.

8. An Act to amend the Lethbridge City Charter.

9. An Act to incorporate The Crows' Nest and Tent Mountain Railway Company.

10. An Act to Foster and Encourage Agricultural Development by means of Standard Forms of Investment upon Farm Mortgages and the Equalization of Rates of Interest.

11. An Act to amend The Statute Law.

12. An Act to amend The Drainage Act.

13. An Act respecting the Police Force of the Province of Alberta.

14. An Act to incorporate the Farmers' Fire and Hail Insurance Company.

15. An Act to amend The Succession Duties Act.

16. An Act to amend An Act to provide for the Taxation of Theatre Goers.

17. An Act to amend The Life Insurance Beneficiaries Act.

18. An Act respecting Co-operative Credit.

19. An Act to amend The Provincial Loans Act.

20. The Municipal Hospitals Act.

21. An Act to amend The Town Act.

22. An Act to amend The Village Act.

23. An Act to amend An Act respecting Rural Municipalities.

24. An Act to amend An Act respecting Local Improvements.

25. An Act to Encourage the Increased Raising of Stock in the Province of Alberta.

26. An Act respecting Advances for the Purchase of Seed Grain and the Securities for the Repayment Thereof.

27. An Act to amend An Act to incorporate the Alberta Farmers' Co-operative Elevator Company.

28. An Act to amend The Public Works Act.

29. An Act to amend The Private Ditches Act.

30. An Act to amend The Liquor Act.

31. An Act to provide for the Borrowing of Certain Moneys by means of Savings Certificates or other Securities.

32. An Act for the Protection of Persons employed in Factories, Shops and Office Buildings.

33. The Dower Act.

34. An Act to provide for Representation in the Legislative Assembly of Alberta's Soldiers and Nurses in the Present War.

35. An Act to provide for Protection of Electrical Workers.

36. An Act to amend the Act respecting Seed Grain, Fodder and other Relief.

37. An Act to amend The Game Act, being Chapter 14 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1907, as amended.

38. An Act respecting all Houses of Public Accommodation.

39. An Act to authorize the Guarantee of Certain Securities of Lacombe and Blindman Valley Electric Railway Company.

40. An Act respecting the Reclamation of Lands.

41. An Act to amend Chapter 51 of the Statutes of 1910 (Second Session), being an Act to incorporate High River and Hudson Bay Railway Company.

42. An Act to amend The School Ordinance and The School Assessment Ordinance.

43. An Act to amend The Municipal Co-operative Hail Insurance Act.

44. An Act to incorporate The Red Deer Valley Railway Company.

45. An Act for Raising Money on the Credit of the General Revenue of Alberta.

46. An Act to amend The Wolf Bounty Act.

47. An Act to amend The Agricultural Societies Ordinance.

48. An Act for the Enrolment of Stallions.

49. The Patriotic Tax Act.

50. An Act to provide for the Guarantee of Certain Borrowings of the Hail Insurance Board of Alberta.

51. An Act to incorporate War Veterans' Association.

52. An Act amending The Election Act respecting Members of the Legislative Assembly on Active Service.

53. An Act to amend The Trustee Ordinance.

54. An Act to amend an Act respecting the Legislative Assembly of Alberta.

55. An Act to provide for an Administrator of the Estates of Infants, and an Official Guardian of said Estates.

To these Bills the Royal assent was announced by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly as follows:

"In His Majesty's name His Honour the Lieutenant Governor doth assent to these Bills."

His Honour was then pleased to deliver the following speech:

"MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN

OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ALBERTA:

"It affords me much pleasure to be able to congratulate you on the result of your labours in this the Fifth Session of the Third Legislature of the Province.

"I have given my assent to the legislation you have enacted in the full assurance that it has been conceived and carried out in the best interests of the Province as a whole.

"You may be assured that the supplies you have voted for the needs of my administration for the period up to the date of final passage of the Estimates for the Fiscal Year ending the Thirty-first day of December, 1918, will be used with wise economy. I thank you for your liberality in this regard and, in discharging you from further attendance, would assure you of my good wishes for the health and welfare of you all."

The Hon. Mr. McLean then said:

"It is His Honour the Lieutenant Governor's will and pleasure that this Legislative Assembly be now prorogued, and this Legislative Assembly is accordingly prorogued."

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